

Appendix C

Comprehensive Collaborative Alternative
Protecting Essential Fish Habitat in the Pacific While
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Comprehensive Collaborative Alternative ***Protecting Essential Fish Habitat in the Pacific While Maintaining Fisheries***

Summary

The Comprehensive Alternative represents a thorough and practicable suite of fishery management measures designed using the best available scientific and economic data available to the public to mitigate the adverse effects of bottom trawling on Essential Fish Habitat off the U.S. West Coast. The approach protects habitat most at risk from bottom trawl damage and provides continued opportunity for commercial bottom trawl fisheries. The Alternative represents the best attempt to develop a practical management with the limited data provided by NMFS. The alternative meets these objectives by combining the following management measures:

1. **Spatial management** of bottom trawling by determining open and closed areas based on benthic habitat type, current trawl closures, distribution of vulnerable fish habitats, unique geological and topographic features, and the value of bottom trawl catch in each area.
2. **Catch reductions** which may be determined by the Council as appropriate.
3. **Expansion of current gear restrictions** to set maximum footrope sizes of 8 inches throughout the PFMC region.
4. **Monitoring of habitat damage** using Vessel Monitoring Systems and onboard observers that report bycatch of habitat-forming invertebrates, enabling fishery managers and the public to accurately evaluate the habitat impacts of individual trawl vessels and the trawl fleet as a whole.
5. **Benthic research and mapping** program to improve the spatial resolution of benthic habitat distribution and provide habitat use information for all life stages of all FMP species and other ecosystem indicator species to the highest degree possible.

The remainder of this document provides a detailed description of the methodology and the scientific justification for each module of the Comprehensive Alternative.

Need for Action

Bottom trawling off the Pacific Coast causes long-term, adverse impacts to fish habitat. There is general scientific consensus that bottom trawling has wide ranging effects on habitats and ecosystems. These include:

- changes in physical habitat of ecosystems
- changes in biologic structure of ecosystems
- reductions in benthic habitat complexity
- changes in availability of organic matter for microbial food webs
- changes in species composition
- reductions in biodiversity¹

¹ National Research Council, "Effects of Trawling & Dredging on Seafloor Habitat" at 29.
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Bottom trawling removes epifauna, thereby reducing habitat complexity and species diversity of the benthic community (Collie et al. 2000, Kaiser et al. 2000). According to the National Academy of Sciences, if disturbance from trawling exceeds the resiliency threshold, then irrevocable long-term ecological effects will occur (NAS 2002). Gravel pavement substrate disturbed by bottom trawling on Georges Bank in the Northeast Atlantic, for example, had significantly less emergent epifauna, shrimp, polychaetes, brittlestars, and small fish than undisturbed sites (Collie et al., 2000).

Bottom trawling decreases benthic productivity. Trawled areas of the North Sea, off the coast of Ireland, were significantly less productive when compared to untrawled areas of similar habitat type (Jennings et al. 2001). Areas disturbed by mobile fishing gear on Georges Bank had lower levels of benthic production (both biomass and energy) when compared to undisturbed areas (Hermesen et al. 2003).

Research from around the world indicates the destruction of living seafloor negatively impacts fish populations. Destruction of bryozoan growths by trawling in Tasman Bay, New Zealand resulted in a marked reduction in numbers of associated juvenile fish (Turner et al. 1999). Predation rate on juvenile Atlantic cod (*Gadus morhua*) increases with decreasing habitat complexity (Walters & Juanes 1993). Case studies in New Zealand and Australia suggested that loss of habitat structure through removal of large epibenthic organisms by fishing had negative effects on associated fish species (Turner et al. 1999). Dense aggregations of Pacific ocean perch (*Sebastes alutus*) and euphausiids were associated with biogenic habitats (sea whip groves) in a Bering Sea submarine canyon, while areas with damaged biogenic structures had far fewer rockfish, and areas in the canyon without biogenic structure had no rockfish (Brodeur 2001). Removal of epifaunal organisms may lead to the degradation of habitat such that it is no longer suitable for associated fish species (Auster et al. 1996).

In order to ensure long-term sustainability of our fisheries, management measures to protect habitat from the adverse effects of bottom trawling must be instituted now.

Spatial Management Measures

The spatial management measures of the Comprehensive Alternative define the areas that are open and closed to bottom trawling. These management measures are additive to existing closures. These areas are currently determined based on several criteria described in detail in the following sections. Areas closed to bottom trawling are based on the locations of sensitive and complex habitat areas and/or areas with low economic value to the bottom trawl fleet. Boundaries were drawn to minimize overlap with high value fishing areas and to closely follow the habitat features. The overall formulation of the spatial management measures is based on a combination of various data layers provided by NMFS and other data sources.

Areas Open to Bottom Trawling

The objective of defining areas in which bottom trawling is permitted is twofold:

1. To prevent further geographic expansion of bottom trawling, and
2. Limit the bottom trawl footprint to historically trawled areas of the most economic importance

This objective is driven by studies that demonstrate that the relative impacts of trawling are greater when areas are trawled for the first time or trawled infrequently (for example Dinmore et al. 2003).

To define the open bottom trawl areas, we examined bottom trawl records of groundfish catch occurring from 2000-2003 from the PACFIN dataset aggregated to 10-minute blocks with species or species group resolution and excluding any information which the Fisheries Service asserted is confidential. Data with a finer resolution is preferable and is much more useful for spatial analysis, but the public faces a tradeoff when requesting spatial fishery data from the Fisheries Service. Requesting data on a fine scale results in a significant loss of data, since the Fisheries Service withholds information if less than 3 fishing vessels operate in the area for which fishing information is requested. Given the constraints placed upon the data by the Fisheries Service, a spatial resolution of 10-minute blocks was selected to ensure consistency with the analyses performed by Terralogic and MRAG for the Pacific Groundfish EFH EIS and to minimize data loss due to confidentiality. A span of years from 2000-2003 was selected to reflect variability in annual trawl effort and the effort under current conditions. In 2000, a footrope restriction in some areas altered the distribution of trawl effort (Bellman and Heppell, in press). Trawl restrictions in the Rockfish Conservation Areas (RCA) also altered distribution of trawl effort over this period.

Areas of the open bottom trawl footprint do not supercede existing management closures, such as where the bottom trawl footprint overlaps areas of the RCA.

Areas Closed to Bottom Trawling

Closed areas can protect living habitats from damage by bottom trawling. In addition, closed areas can promote recovery in habitats already impacted by bottom trawling. Ideally placement of closed areas would occur across a range of vulnerable, representative habitat types (NRC 2002). Only year round bottom trawl closures for all species are considered to provide protection to EFH.

Within the area currently being bottom trawled, 41 areas of importance were identified using the following criteria:

- Hard substrate
- Habitat-forming invertebrates
- Canyons and Gullies
- Rocky Ridges
- Rocky Slopes
- Trawl hangs and abandoned trawl survey stations (“untrawable area”)
- Seamounts
- Highest 20% habitat suitability for overfished groundfish species

Pursuant to this draft Comprehensive Alternative, no bottom trawling would be permitted within the following 41 areas (Fig. 42). Table 42 shows the criterion used in the selection and boundary determination of each area. Appendix 1 provides a map and description of each area. Appendix 3 describes the latitude and longitude points of the vertices of the boundaries of the areas.

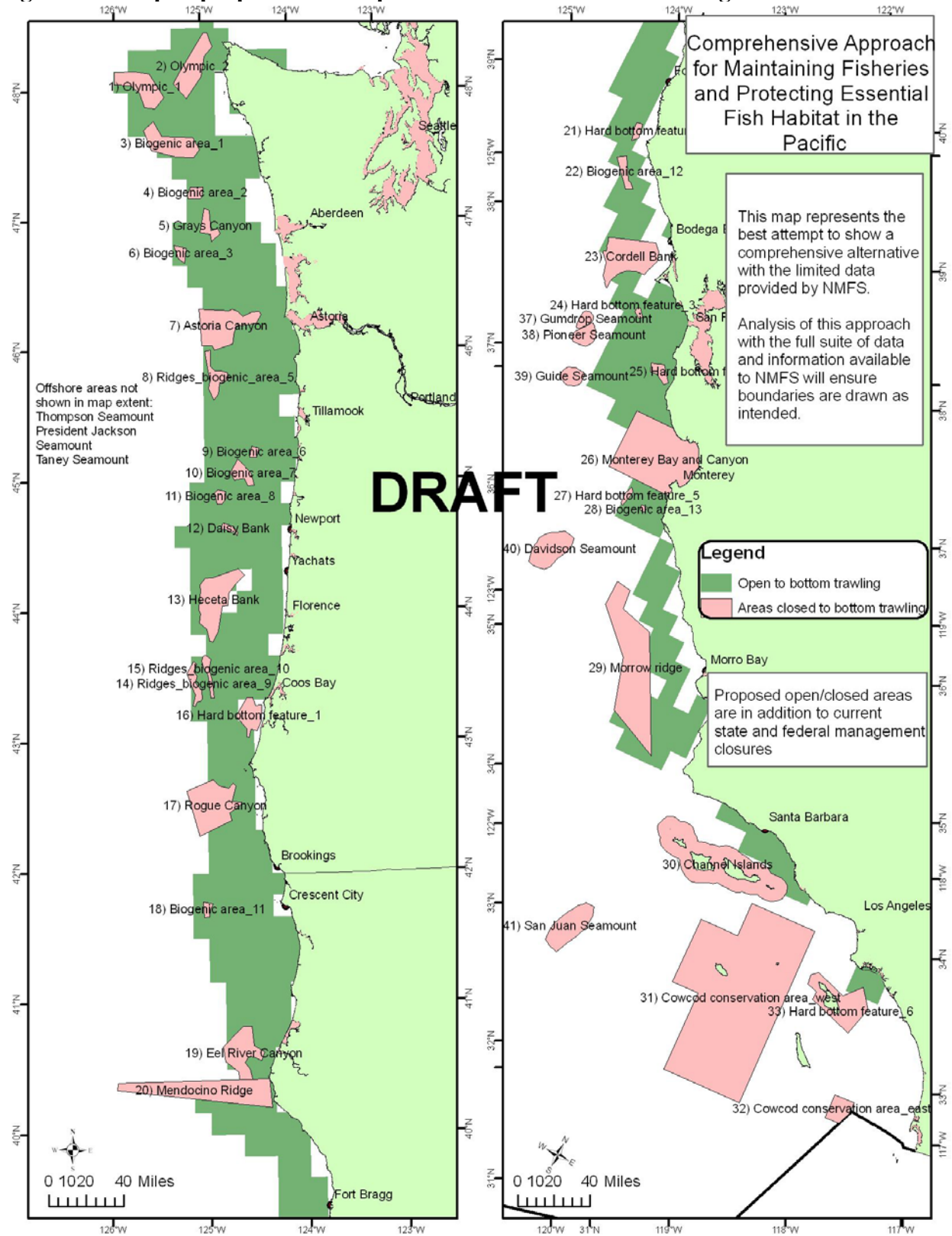
Figure 42: Map of proposed areas open and closed to bottom trawling.

Table 42: Criterion for identifying areas of interest

	Proposed closed area	Hard substrate ¹	Documented structure forming invertebrates ²	Canyon or gully habitat ¹	Rocky ridge habitat ¹	Rocky slope habitat ²
1	Olympic_1	no*	yes	yes	no	no
2	Olympic_2	no*	yes	yes	no	no
3	Biogenic area_1	no	yes	yes	no	no
4	Biogenic area_2	no	yes	yes	no	no
5	Grays Canyon	no	yes	yes	no	no
6	Biogenic area_3	no	yes	no	no	no
7	Astoria Canyon	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
8	Ridges_biogenic_area_5	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
9	Biogenic area_6	no	yes	no	no	no
10	Biogenic area_7	no	yes	no	no	no
11	Biogenic area_8	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
12	Daisy Bank	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
13	Heceta Bank	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
14	Ridges_biogenic area_9	yes	yes	no	no	yes
15	Ridges_biogenic area_10	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
16	Hard bottom feature_1	yes	yes	no	no	yes
17	Rogue Canyon	yes	yes	yes	no	yes
18	Biogenic area_11	no	yes	yes	no	no
19	Eel River Canyon	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
20	Mendocino Ridge	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
21	Hard bottom feature_2	yes	no	no	no	no
22	Biogenic area_12	yes	yes	no	no	no
23	Cordell Bank	yes	yes	yes	no	no
24	Hard bottom feature_3	yes	yes	yes	no	no
25	Hard bottom feature_4	yes	no	no	no	no
26	Monterey Bay and Canyon	yes	yes	yes	no	yes
27	Hard bottom feature_5	yes	no	yes	yes	no
28	Biogenic area_13	yes	yes	no	no	no
29	Morro ridge	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
30	Channel Islands	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
31	Cowcod conservation area_west	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
32	Hard bottom feature_6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
33	Cowcod conservation area_east	no	no	no	yes	no
34	Thompson Seamount	unk**	no	unk**	unk**	unk**
35	President Jackson Seamount	unk**	no	no	no	no
36	Taney Seamount	unk**	no	no	no	no
37	Gumdrop Seamount	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
38	Pioneer Seamount	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
39	Guide Seamount	yes	no	yes	yes	yes
40	Davidson Seamount	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
41	San Juan Seamount	yes	no	no	yes	no

Table 42: Continued....

	Proposed closed area	Trawl hangs³	Abandoned survey stations³	Highest 20% habitat suitability for overfished species⁴
1	Olympic_1	yes	yes	yes
2	Olympic_2	yes	yes	yes
3	Biogenic area_1	yes	no	yes
4	Biogenic area_2	no	no	yes
5	Grays Canyon	yes	yes	yes
6	Biogenic area_3	n/a	n/a	yes
7	Astoria Canyon	yes	yes	yes
8	Ridges biogenic area_5	yes	no	yes
9	Biogenic area_6	no	no	yes
10	Biogenic area_7	yes	yes	yes
11	Biogenic area_8	yes	yes	yes
12	Daisy Bank	yes	no	yes
13	Heceta Bank	yes	yes	yes
14	Ridges biogenic area_9	n/a	n/a	yes
15	Ridges biogenic area_10	n/a	n/a	yes
16	Hard bottom feature_1	yes	yes	yes
17	Rogue Canyon	yes	yes	yes
18	Biogenic area_11	n/a	n/a	yes
19	Eel River Canyon	yes	yes	yes
20	Mendocino Ridge	yes	yes	yes
21	Hard bottom feature_2	no	no	yes
22	Biogenic area_12	yes	yes	yes
23	Cordell Bank	yes	yes	yes
24	Hard bottom feature_3	n/a	n/a	yes
25	Hard bottom feature_4	yes	no	yes
26	Monterey Bay and Canyon	yes	yes	yes
27	Hard bottom feature_5	n/a	n/a	yes
28	Biogenic area_13	no	no	yes
29	Morro ridge	yes	yes	yes
30	Channel Islands	n/a	n/a	yes
31	Cowcod conservation area_west	n/a	n/a	yes
32	Hard bottom feature_6	n/a	n/a	yes
33	Cowcod conservation area_east	n/a	n/a	yes
34	Thompson Seamount	n/a	n/a	no
35	President Jackson Seamount	n/a	n/a	no
36	Taney Seamount	n/a	n/a	no
37	Gumdrop Seamount	n/a	n/a	yes
38	Pioneer Seamount	n/a	n/a	no
39	Guide Seamount	no	no	yes
40	Davidson Seamount	n/a	n/a	yes
41	San Juan Seamount	n/a	n/a	no

¹ Evidence of hard substrate and habitat types as defined by and documented in the *Consolidated GIS Data, Volume 1, Physical and Biological Habitat data disk*

² *Preliminary Report on Occurrences of Structure-Forming Megafaunal Invertebrates off the West Coast of Washington, Oregon and California*, 2004, Fishery Resource and Monitoring Division NWFSC. Associated datasets from AFSC trawl surveys 1977-2001, NWFSC trawl surveys 2001-2003, MCBI database of deep-sea corals (Etnoyer and Morgan 2002), submersible dive data (Wakefield, unpublished data). Does not include database of habitat-forming invertebrate bycatch from West Coast Observer Program

³ Zimmerman, M. 2003.

⁴ Pacific EFH Risk Assessment

* Localized multi-beam mapping of the area was not integrated into the EFH habitat map, possibly due to compatibility of data (Steve Intelmann, GIS analyst, Olympic Marine Sanctuary, pers. com.). As a result, the EFH habitat polygons show an area known to contain pinnacles and high relief, rocky habitat displayed as “sedimentary shelf” (Steve Intelmann, pers. com.)

** These areas have not been multi-beam mapped

Description of Selection Criterion

Hard Substrate

Hard substrates are one of the least abundant benthic habitats, yet they are among the most important habitats for fishes (Pacific EFH PDEIS). Hard substrates are also the seafloor substrate most sensitive to bottom trawling (NAS 2002, Pacific EFH PDEIS).

Many groundfish species managed by the PPMC use hard bottom habitats during one or more of their life stages. These include aurora rockfish, bank rockfish, black rockfish, black-and-yellow rockfish, blackgill rockfish, blue rockfish, bocaccio, bronzespotted rockfish, brown rockfish, cabezon, calico rockfish, California scorpionfish, canary rockfish, chilipepper, China rockfish, copper rockfish, cowcod, dusky rockfish, flag rockfish, gopher rockfish, grass rockfish, greenblotched rockfish, greenspotted rockfish, greenstriped rockfish, harlequin rockfish, honeycomb rockfish, kelp greenling, kelp rockfish, leopard shark, lingcod, Mexican rockfish, olive rockfish, Pacific cod, Pacific ocean perch, pink rockfish, quillback rockfish, redstripe rockfish, rosethorn rockfish, rosy rockfish, rougheye rockfish, sharpchin rockfish, shortbelly rockfish, shortraker rockfish, silvergray rockfish, speckled rockfish, spotted ratfish, squarespot rockfish, starry rockfish, striptail rockfish, tiger rockfish, treefish, vermilion rockfish, widow rockfish, yelloweye rockfish, yellowmouth rockfish, and yellowtail rockfish (Pacific EFH PDEIS).

Location of hard substrate polygons from the *Consolidated GIS Data, Volume 1, Physical and Biological Habitat data disk* (PPMC 2003) were plotted in GIS to identify sensitive habitat and determine boundaries of areas closed to bottom trawling.

Habitat-forming invertebrates

Corals, sponges, and other habitat-forming invertebrates provide three-dimensional structure on the seafloor that increases the complexity of benthic substrates. While corals and sponges are the most conspicuous and easily observable biogenic structures, they generally occur in diverse biological communities with other invertebrates such as crinoids, basket stars, ascidians, annelids, and bryozoans. Henry (2001) found thirteen hydroid species collected from only four coral specimens, suggesting that northern corals support highly diverse epifaunal communities. Beaulieu (2001) observed 139 taxa associated with deep-sea sponge communities in the northeast Pacific. Buhl-Mortensen and Mortensen (2004) found 17 species of *Pandalus* shrimp, isopods, amphipods, copepods, and decapods associated with *Paragorgia arborea* and *Primnoa resedaeformis* in Nova Scotia, including an obligate associated copepod. Removal of habitat structure in relatively low-structure soft-sediment systems significantly decreases biodiversity, and consequently that of the wider marine ecosystem (Thrush et al. 2001). Therefore, protecting known areas of coral and sponge habitat inherently protects areas of high benthic diversity and a host of benthic organisms that provide habitat for fish in the form of food and shelter.

Structure-forming invertebrates (or biogenic habitat) are sensitive to impacts from bottom trawl gear (NAS 2002, Anderson et al. 2002, Krieger 1999, MacDonald et al. 1996, Van Santbrink and Bergman 1994). Deep-sea corals and sponges are long-lived and are not resilient to anthropogenic disturbance. Hexactinellid sponges can be up to 220 years old with average growth rates of 1.98 cm/year (Leys and Lauzon 1998). The colonies of the deep sea coral

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Primnoa resedaeformis, have been aged to over 300 years old, suggesting recovery rates of over 100 years or more (Risk et al. 2002). The estimated age of the deep sea coral *Anthomastus ritteri* was 25-30 years in California's Monterey Bay (Cordes et al. 2001).

Deep sea corals and sponges provide three dimensional structures that form habitat for commercial groundfish, shellfish, and other marine life (Husebo et al. 2002; Krieger and Wing 2002; Malecha et al. 2002; Heifetz 2002). They are found at depths from 30 meters to over 3,000 meters (Krieger and Wing 2002). Many cup corals, hydrocorals, and *Metridium* anemones are found at depths as shallow as 15 m. Some larger species of deep sea corals, such as *Paragorgia sp.* can grow over 3 m tall. Because these long-lived filter feeders are attached to the seafloor, they may be important indicators of areas in the ocean that have consistently favorable ecological conditions, such as areas of high upwelling that are worth protecting for other reasons as well.

The following species are known to associate with corals and sponges: rougheye rockfish, redbanded rockfish, shortraker rockfish, sharpchin rockfish, Pacific Ocean perch, dusky rockfish, yelloweye rockfish, northern rockfish, shortspine thornyhead, several species of flatfish, Atka mackerel, golden king crab, shrimp, Pacific cod, walleye pollock, greenling, Greenland turbot, sablefish, and various non-commercial marine species (Freese 2000; Krieger and Wing 2002; Heifetz 1999; Else et al. 2002; Heifetz 2002). Red tree corals (*Primnoa sp.*) are known to provide protection from predators, shelter, feeding areas, spawning habitat, and breeding areas for fish and shellfish and are found throughout the U.S. West Coast (Krieger and Wing 2002). Stone (preliminary data, 2004) found an 87% rate of association between adult Alaskan FMP species and biogenic habitat and a 100% association rate for juveniles. Kaiser et al. (1999) found that biogenic habitat structure is an important component of demersal fish habitat, and observed higher densities of gadoid fish species associated with structural fauna such as soft corals, hydroids, bryozoans, and sponges in the southern North Sea and eastern English Channel. Husebo et al. (2002) found that the largest catches of redfish (*Sebastes marinus*) were made with long-line fleets set in deep sea coral reef habitats. Rocha et al. (2000) found that sponges are habitat 'oases' in a desert of rubble and flat rocky bottoms in Brazil. Reed (2002) in a study of deep water *Oculina* reefs along eastern Florida, noted extensive areas of *Oculina* rubble in part as the result of bottom fishing and major declines in commercial fish populations in the reefs from 1970-1990. Prevention of damage by bottom trawls to corals and other "living substrates" may increase the amount of protective cover available to slope rockfish to escape predation, increase survival of juvenile fish and thus have a positive impact on the stocks (North Pacific EFH EIS).

Managed fish species in the PFMC management region using structure-forming invertebrates (such as corals, basketstars, brittlestars, demosponges, gooseneck barnacles, sea anemones, sea lilies, sea urchins, sea whips, tube worms, and vase sponges) as biogenic habitat include arrowtooth flounder, big skate, bocaccio, California skate, cowcod, Dover sole, flag rockfish, greenspotted rockfish, lingcod, longspine thornyhead, Pacific ocean perch, quillback rockfish, rosethorn rockfish, sablefish, sharpchin rockfish, shortspine thornyhead, spotted ratfish, starry rockfish, tiger rockfish, vermilion rockfish, yelloweye rockfish, and yellowtail rockfish (Pacific EFH PDEIS).

Bycatch of habitat-forming invertebrates is the most direct evidence of adverse impacts of fishing to biogenic habitat. The West Coast groundfish observer program (WCGOP) was Pacific Coast Groundfish EFH FEIS

established to obtain more precise estimates of fishery discards and total catch (NMFS 2003). For the same reasons that the WCGOP improves the accuracy of catch estimates for overfished groundfish, observer data can and should be used to both evaluate the impacts of fishing on EFH and develop mitigation measures in the EFH EIS. In fact, a repeated criticism of the Alaska Region EFH DEIS by the Center for Independent Experts was that coral, sponge, and bryozoan bycatch from observer records were not analyzed, utilized, or incorporated (Drinkwater 2004). Specifically, the Center for Independent Experts recommended that NMFS "...analyze catch and effort data, observer by catch data, field studies and consult with the industry to assess the damage done to the long-lived corals and sponges as well as the possible encroachment of fishing trawls into new areas containing corals and sponges."

Due to apparent confidentiality constraints, NMFS has not shared the Pacific observer bycatch dataset with the public. At the September 2004 PFMC meeting, we specifically requested NMFS to conduct an analysis of observer data on biogenic habitat bycatch before the November 2004 meeting so it could be incorporated into the Comprehensive Alternative. However, this analysis has not been conducted by NMFS to our knowledge. Therefore, the map showing locations of proposed closures based on presence of biogenic habitat may be incomplete because it does not incorporate data on biogenic habitat bycatch from the WCGOP. We expect NMFS to fully utilize and incorporate the observer dataset on biogenic habitat bycatch to identify additional closure areas to the proposed alternative prior to analysis. Since we do not have access to this data, we expect NMFS to conduct a point density analysis similar to what we conducted for the trawl survey data in the paragraphs below.

Coral and sponge records from trawl surveys must be considered a conservative estimate of the presence of biogenic habitat. Unfortunately, little information exists to ground-truth the extensive trawl survey databases with seafloor habitat. Of the thousands of NOAA trawl survey hauls that have occurred through the years, only one trawl survey track has been crossed by known submersible dive transects. The survey track, which occurred in 1986, was crossed by three dive transects on Heceta Bank in 2002 (Fig. 43). That 1986 trawl survey haul recorded 4 kg of an unidentified sponge species, or an estimated CPUE of 1 kg/hr. In 2002, the three dive transects that crossed this survey track recorded high densities of sponge of up to 167 vase sponges/ 100m² (Wakefield, unpublished data). This reflects that a coral or sponge record from a trawl survey is indicative of areas of biogenic habitat. An initial focus on regions where corals and sponges have been documented, either from trawl surveys or other sources, is a reasonable approach. We recognize that there are some limitations the coral and sponge data, as the all with all marine and fisheries databases. Nevertheless, given the importance and sensitivities of these habitats, and the recognized need to be precautionary in management decisions we developed what we believe is a responsible and reasonable approach to consider all available data in making management decisions.

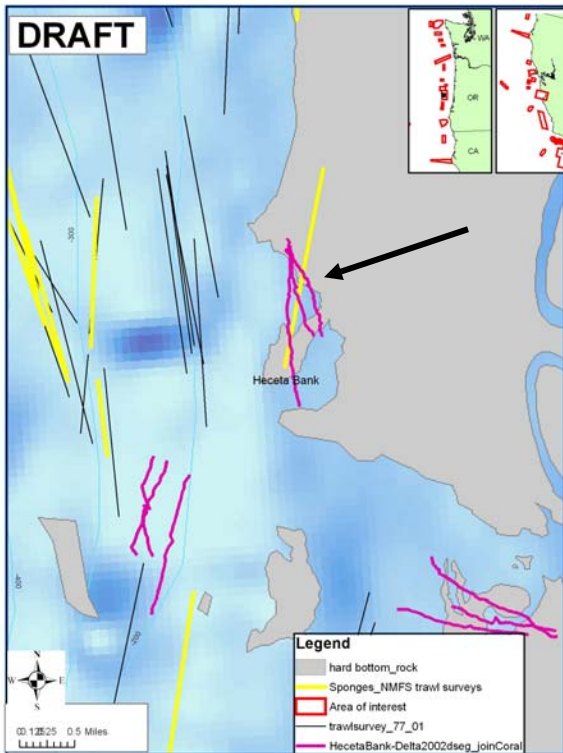


Figure 43: Trawl survey track crossed by Delta submersible transects on Heceta Bank

An extensive database was used to determine “hotspots” where the presence of habitat-forming invertebrates was frequently recorded or large samples of these invertebrates occurred. The database comprised records from AFSC slope and shelf trawl surveys from 1977 to 2001, NWFSC slope and shelf trawl surveys from 2001 to 2003, and MCBI’s database of deep-sea coral records. MCBI’s database includes coral records from the California Academy of Science, Smithsonian Institution, MBARI, and Scripps compiled from various research cruises and scientific collections (Etnoyer and Morgan 2003). For purposes of the analyses and site selection, only records of corals (including sea whips and sea pens) and sponges were considered. Habitat-forming anemones appear to have a ubiquitous distribution (Liz Clarke, NWFSC, pers. com) and were excluded from the analysis.

Two types of point density analyses were performed using the ArcView 9.0 Spatial Analyst Point Density Tool (ESRI 2004) to determine clusters of coral and sponge records. The first analysis explored the density of records, with each point weighted equally. A total of 3,691 coral and sponge records were used in the analysis. For trawl survey data (3,291 records), the start point of the trawl was used to plot points. For other coral and sponge data (400 records from MCBI dataset) the sample location point was plotted. Using a cell size of 2,000 meters and a search radius of 10,000 meters, the point density function outputs the mean density per kilometer of coral and sponge records. The utility is to identify areas that have had numerous records of habitat-forming invertebrates.

The second analysis explored clusters of coral and sponge records with high survey catches. Only trawl survey data, with associated records for catch weight and CPUE, were used in the analysis. A total of 3,291 survey start points from NOAA trawl surveys from 1977-2003 were plotted. This density analysis weighted the points by the rounded integer of the catch of coral or Pacific Coast Groundfish EFH FEIS

sponge. For example, a CPUE of 10 kg/km² would be counted ten times. The utility of this exercise is to identify, at least qualitatively, those areas which had documented records of high densities of habitat-forming invertebrates. Both analyses were useful for identifying “hotspots” of records of habitat-forming invertebrates.

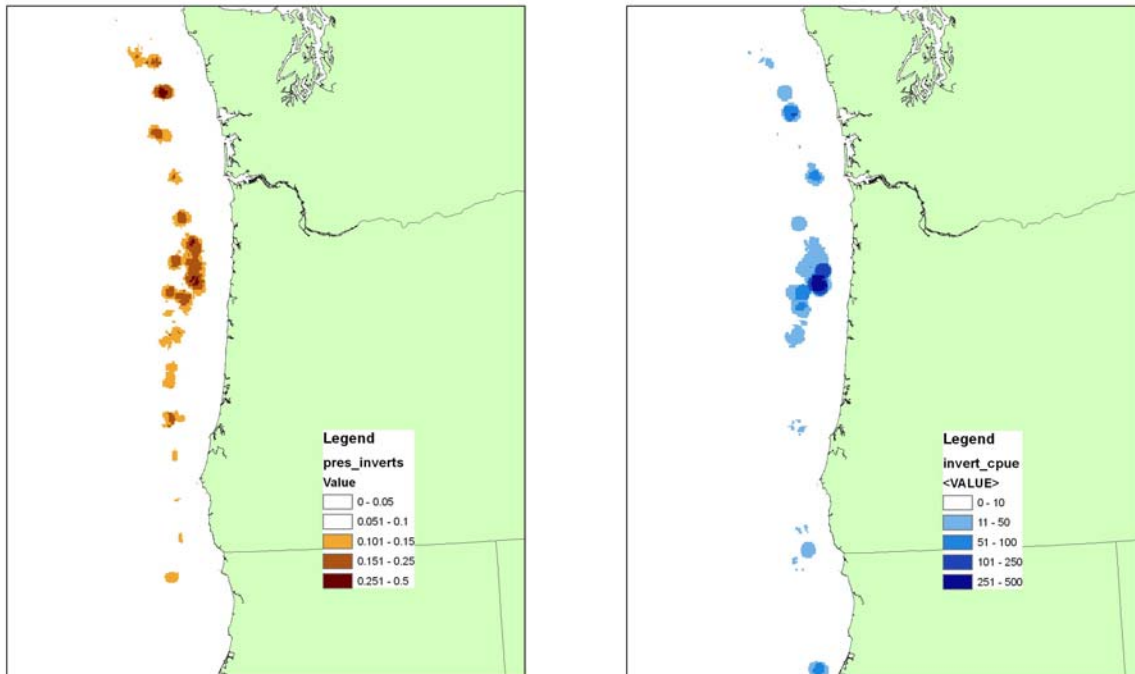


Figure 44: Point density analysis of coral and sponge records. The figure on the left displays output when all points are weighted equally. The legend shows density of points per square kilometer. The figure on the right displays output from point density analysis with points weighted by CPUE. The legend shows mean CPUE per square kilometer.

The point density analysis provided a focus for using documented records of coral and sponge in the selection and boundary determination of the areas closed to bottom trawling. Of these records, 1,553 documented occurrences of coral and sponge were contained within the proposed closed areas (Table 43). These locations also included the highest densities of corals and sponges recorded. Of the over 16,000 kg of corals and sponges sampled during trawl surveys, the closed areas encompass areas where 10,000 kg of these samples were recorded.

Table 43: Number of coral and sponge observations within closed bottom trawl areas

Area	Number of coral and sponge observations
1) Olympic_1	62
2) Olympic_2	18
3) Biogenic area_1	126
4) Biogenic area_2	88
5) Grays Canyon	20
6) Biogenic area_3	46
7) Astoria Canyon	101
8) Ridges_biogenic_area_5	68
9) Biogenic area_6	20
10) Biogenic area_7	83
11) Biogenic area_8	39
12) Daisy Bank	7
13) Heceta Bank	99
14) Ridges_biogenic_area_9	17
15) Ridges_biogenic_area_10	31
16) Hard bottom feature_1	2
17) Rogue Canyon	50
18) Biogenic area_12	35
19) Eel River Canyon	50
20) Mendocino Ridge	19
22) Biogenic area_12	40
23) Cordell Bank	28
24) Hard bottom feature_3	3
26) Monterey Bay and Canyon	336
27) Hard bottom feature_6	10
28) Biogenic area_13	22
29) Morrow ridge	89
30) Channel Islands	10
33) Cowcod conservation area_west	5
37) Gumdrop Seamount	1
38) Pioneer Seamount	1
40) Davidson Seamount	27
Grand Total	1553

Untrawlable areas

The Zimmerman (2003) database includes all records from the NMFS West Coast Triennial Trawl Survey where major trawl net hangs were recorded. Since these areas are considered unsuitable for trawling, the assumption is that these records indicate areas of high structural complexity, such as boulders or rock outcrops (Zimmerman, pers.com.). Trawl hangs (or substrate/structure that induces a trawl hang) provide habitat for juvenile fish. A study off the Pacific Coast Groundfish EFH FEIS

coast of New England determined that significantly higher densities of juvenile groundfish occurred in areas with records of trawl hangs (Link and Demarest 2003). The study found that a buffer of 3.7 km (2 nautical miles) around these features would encompass 17-30% of juvenile fish. Since most trawl net hangs are concentrated these authors recommend a methodology of identifying these concentrations and establishing a no-trawl buffer around them. Other work on this topic suggests that such a methodology would only close 1-4% of the ocean bottom to trawling (Link 1997).

Furthermore, it is expensive to fisherman to replace trawl gear that has been damaged or lost due to contact with benthic structure. Since fishermen wish to avoid hangs, closing areas with high relative densities of areas known to be “untrawlable” will help avoid damage to trawl nets and close areas fishermen probably avoid anyway. Therefore, the economic effects of bottom trawl closures based on the Zimmerman dataset are likely to be negligible.

The GIS data used in the manuscript by Zimmerman (2003) was obtained and plotted in GIS. The GIS polygons of untrawlable areas were considered in the selection and placement of boundaries of the areas closed to bottom trawling.

Submarine canyons

Submarine canyons are known to be areas of enhanced productivity due to topographically induced upwelling along their axes (Freeland and Denman 1982). For this reason, canyons show enhanced concentrations of macrobenthos (Haedrich et al. 1980; Sarda et al. 1994; Vetter and Dayton 1998), micronekton (Cartes et al. 1994; Macquart-Moulin and Patrity 1996), demersal fishes (Stefanescu et al. 1994), and cetaceans (Kenney and Winn 1987; Schoenherr 1991) relative to surrounding areas on the slope and shelf. In the North Pacific Ocean, rockfishes in the genus *Sebastes* often inhabit the offshore edges of banks or canyons and are known to capitalize on advected prey resources such as euphausiids (Pereyra et al. 1969; Brodeur and Pearcy 1984; Chess et al. 1988; Genin et al. 1988). Brodeur (2001) found dense aggregations of Pacific ocean perch (*Sebastes alutus*) and euphausiids associated with biogenic habitats in a Bering Sea submarine canyon, while areas with damaged biogenic structures had far fewer rockfish, and areas in the canyon without biogenic structure had no rockfish. Therefore, submarine canyons provide essential habitat for groundfish that is highly vulnerable to fishing impacts.

Vetter and Dayton (2001) found that submarine canyons in Southern California provide large quantities of food in aggregated form on the deep sea floor by acting as conduits for marine macrophyte production produced in the intertidal and shallow subtidal zone. This study also found elevated abundance of Pacific hake and turbot in these canyons. Starr et al. (2002) found evidence for site fidelity in green-spotted rockfish (*S. chlorostictus*) and suggested large-scale reserves for bocaccio (*S. paucispinus*) at a canyon in Monterey Bay.

Submarine canyons provide habitat for larger sized rockfish that seem to prefer structures of high relief such as boulders, vertical walls, and ridges. Yoklavich et al. (2000) found high abundance of large rockfish associated with complex structural habitat in Soquel Canyon with lower size and abundance in fished areas. Canyon heads are the upper, shallower portions of submarine canyons where coastal upwelling fronts have been shown to contain high abundance of rockfish larvae (Bjorkstedt 2002). Additionally, Hooker (1999) found higher abundance of cetaceans in a submarine canyon known as “The Gully” off Nova Scotia relative to surrounding areas of the Pacific Coast Groundfish EFH FEIS

shelf and slope. The cover and protection offered by submarine canyons allow pockets of rockfish populations to flourish, in contrast to more exposed areas where the populations are more easily fished. Because submarine canyons are typically upwelling zones, they often contain higher abundances of filter feeding invertebrates, such as corals, sponges, tunicates, and bryozoans, which contribute to the structural complexity of the seafloor.

The deepest and largest submarine canyon on the coast of North America is the Monterey Canyon, just south of San Francisco, California. This canyon is 470 km long, approximately 12 km wide at its widest point, and has a maximum rim to floor relief of 1,700 m, making it much larger than Arizona's Grand Canyon. The largest submarine canyon in the Pacific Northwest is Astoria Canyon, off the mouth of the Columbia River. Other major submarine canyons on the U.S. West Coast include Grays Canyon, Rogue Canyon, and Eel River Canyon, which are also included in this alternative. Portions of other canyon habitats are also included in many of the other closed areas.

Location of canyon habitat polygons from the *Consolidated GIS Data, Volume 1, Physical and Biological Habitat data disk* (PFMC 2003) were plotted in GIS to identify and determine boundaries of areas closed to bottom trawling.

Seamounts

A seamount is an area of volcanic origin rising over 1,000 meters above the surrounding seafloor. Using the polygons developed by NOAA in the EFH process, we have identified 8 seamounts in this alternative. Recent studies conducted by the Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute on West Coast seamounts have documented unique and diverse biological communities. Along the crests and slopes of several seamounts, MBARI scientists observed long-lived coral and sponge habitats. DeVogelaere et al. (2003) found 24 coral taxa on Davidson Seamount off California and described numerous species associations, particularly that *Paragorgia sp.* were found in areas with highest species diversity. Guyots are a type of volcanic seamount with a flat top or plateau. Because the tops are flat, they may be particularly vulnerable to trawling due to the relative ease of setting trawl gear. The rarity and uniqueness of seamount faunal communities provides strong scientific justification for a highly precautionary approach. Koslow et al. (2001) conducted a survey of Tasmanian seamounts where 30% of species identified were new to science and 30-60% were endemic to particular seamounts. Seamounts provide an area of vertical relief from the relatively flat and featureless abyssal plain.² As such, seamounts are sites of enriched biological activity with enhanced biomass of pelagic and benthic organisms relative to the surrounding waters.³ Studies indicate that seamounts function as deep sea islands of localized species distributions, dominated by suspension feeders like corals and sponges⁴ which can be easily damaged by fishing gear that makes contact with the bottom.

On the U.S. West Coast, the major seamounts include Thompson Seamount (428 km²), San Juan Seamount (940 km²), Davidson Seamount (600 km²), Gumdrops Seamount (149 km²), Pioneer

² Airame, S., S. Gaines and C. Caldow. 2003. Ecological Linkages: Marine and Estuarine Ecosystems of Central and Northern California. NOAA, National Ocean Service. Silver Spring, MD. 164 p.

³ Mullineaux and Mills. 1997.; Dower and Perry. 2001; Haury et. al. 2000).

⁴ Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary, Sanctuary Integrated Monitoring Network at www.mbnms-simon.org/sections/seamounts/overview.php

Seamount (295 km²), Guide Seamount (270 km²), President Jackson Seamount (986 km²), and Taney Seamount (978 km²). This represents a total area of 4,639 km² of seamounts on the west coast within the U.S. EEZ. Current PACFIN data documents no trawling on any seamounts on the U.S. West Coast. Therefore, there would be no economic impacts from bottom trawl closures that prevent future damage to these unique geological features.

Location of seamounts from the *Consolidated GIS Data, Volume 1, Physical and Biological Habitat data disk* (PFMC 2003) were plotted in GIS to identify and determine boundaries of areas closed to bottom trawling.

EFH habitat types of the Areas Closed to Bottom Trawling

The tables below display the area coverage of habitat types as defined by the *Consolidated GIS Data, Volume 1, Physical and Biological Habitat data disk* in the areas closed to bottom trawling. The shape of all 41 areas closed to bottom trawling were clipped from the habitat polygons and the resulting polygon area was calculated. The total area of all habitat types identified off the Pacific Coast (PFMC Region) was summed for comparison.

Habitat Composition of Areas Closed to Bottom Trawling

Table 44: Proportion of hard and soft substrate within proposed areas

Substrate type (from EFH GIS data)	Substrate type within closed areas (km ²)	Total area (km ²) of identified substrate off Pacific Coast	Percent of total within closed area
Hard	8378	19549	42.9%
Soft	31334	222321	14.1%
(blank)	805	1254	64.1%
Grand Total	40517	243124	16.7%

The proposed closed areas cover 42.9% of all identified hard benthic substrate off the Pacific coast. Hard substrate was a primary factor in the consideration of the boundaries of the proposed areas.

Table 45: Proportion of identified habitat types within proposed areas

HAB_TYPE	Habitat type within closed area (km ²)	Total area (km ²) of identified habitat type off Pacific Coast	Percent of identified habitat closed
Rocky Slope Canyon Floor	98.5	104.0	94.7%
Rocky Slope Gully	26.8	28.4	94.3%
Rocky Shelf Canyon Wall	52.7	60.0	87.9%
Sedimentary Basin Gully Floor	4.2	5.0	85.5%
Island	764.0	915.5	83.5%
Rocky Apron	1.0	1.3	77.2%
Rocky Slope Canyon Wall	281.0	405.5	69.3%
Sedimentary Shelf Gully	215.2	373.4	57.6%
Sedimentary Shelf Canyon Wall	200.6	426.6	47.0%
Rocky Slope	603.6	1297.8	46.5%
Rocky Ridge	5691.7	13038.9	43.7%
Rocky Shelf	1372.1	3160.3	43.4%
Sedimentary Glacial Shelf Deposit	390.0	1016.9	38.4%
Sedimentary Basin Canyon Floor	2.1	5.8	35.6%
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Wall	2046.9	7274.6	28.1%
Sedimentary Shelf Canyon Floor	22.4	79.8	28.0%
Sedimentary Basin Gully	2.0	8.1	24.3%
Sedimentary Basin	5494.2	27332.3	20.1%
Sedimentary Slope Gully Floor	72.3	373.1	19.4%
Sedimentary Ridge	5927.6	31664.9	18.7%
Rocky Slope Landslide	250.9	1383.0	18.1%
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Floor	940.0	5653.3	16.6%
Sedimentary Slope	8933.2	65902.6	13.6%
Sedimentary Slope Landslide	809.3	6221.7	13.0%
no data	40.6	338.8	12.0%
Sedimentary Apron Canyon Floor	38.5	338.3	11.4%
Sedimentary Shelf	5550.7	52306.2	10.6%
Sedimentary Basin Canyon Wall	1.5	18.8	7.7%
Sedimentary Slope Gully	293.6	5072.0	5.8%
Sedimentary Shelf Gully Floor	0.7	19.5	3.6%
Sedimentary Apron Canyon Wall	32.4	904.0	3.6%
Sedimentary Apron	356.7	16932.2	2.1%
Rocky Basin	0.1	49.9	0.3%
Rocky Apron Canyon Wall	0.0	15.6	0.0%
Rocky Glacial Shelf Deposit	0.0	4.1	0.0%
Sedimentary Apron Gully	0.0	2.2	0.0%
Sedimentary Apron Landslide	0.0	389.5	0.0%

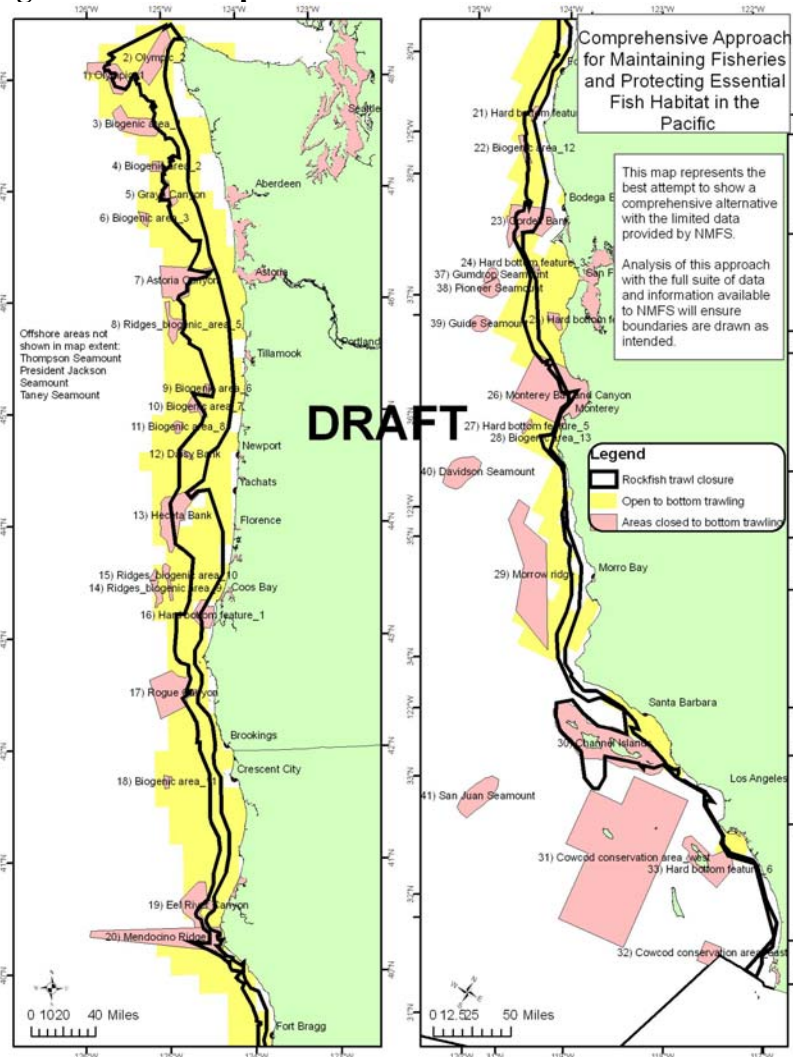
Preliminary Economic Analysis Based on Available Data

Determination of Trawl Footprint

The data available to us to conduct a preliminary economic analysis was limited. We examined bottom trawl records of groundfish catch occurring from 2000-2003 from the PACFIN dataset aggregated to 10-minute blocks with species or species group resolution and excluding any confidential data. A spatial resolution of 10-minute blocks was selected to ensure consistency with the analyses performed by Terralogic and MRAG for the Pacific Groundfish EFH EIS and to minimize data loss due to confidentiality. A span of years from 2000-2004 were selected to reflect variability in annual trawl effort and the effort under current conditions. In 2000, a footrope restriction in some areas altered the distribution of trawl effort (Bellman and Heppell, in press). Trawl restrictions in the Rockfish Conservation Areas also altered distribution of trawl effort over this period. It should be noted that our analysis did not include analysis of pre-existing closures and measures. With those measures taken into account, the economic impact will be considerably less.

Rockfish Conservation Areas and Economic Analysis

Some of the proposed areas closed to bottom trawling overlap the existing trawl closures within the Rockfish Conservation Areas (Fig.45). However, the proposed bottom trawl closures are not duplicative, since bottom trawling still occurs within the RCA. During the course of this analysis it was discovered that large catches of groundfish are still being reported within the Rockfish Conservation Area. Nonetheless, the economic analysis and calculation of displaced revenue for this mitigation alternative should take into account the reduction of trawl effort already in place within existing trawl closures. The present analysis does not take these closures into account, therefore the displaced revenue reported in Table 46 will be considerably less if existing closures are considered.

Figure 45: Overlap of Rockfish Conservation Area with Proposed Areas

Economic Analysis of Trawl Area Closures

Economic analysis is an important tool in evaluating the practicability of management measures that mitigate adverse fishing impacts to EFH. For this reason, it is essential that economic analysis of management measures reflect actual consequences as accurately as possible. The following discussion is provided in the spirit of helping ensure that the economic analysis conducted in the EFH DEIS is as accurate as possible given the data constraints.

The first decision point in economic analysis is the measurement unit of economic benefit in each area. The options appear to be total hours trawled, total catch, or revenue generated in each block. While the latter options may provide some useful information, the revenue generated appears to be the most relevant because it actually measures economic impacts in dollars. In this approach, an economic value is generated for each block by multiplying the weight of catch for each species by the ex-vessel value of each species and summing this product for all species. In other words, the economic revenue for each block in any given year is given by:

$$\sum_i C_i V_i$$

where i is each species, C_i is the catch of species i in pounds, and V_i is the ex-vessel value per pound of species i . This methodology outputs the economic revenue generated in each block and is more accurate than hours trawled or total catch because it takes into consideration differences in catch per unit effort, catch composition, and value of different species between each block.

NMFS staff have made it clear thus far that economic data on trawl catches will be queried by 10 x 10 minute block. However, the gear-specific area closures presented in the Comprehensive Alternative are at a much finer scale to reflect more adequately the habitat features identified through the EFH process in the most practicable way. Therefore, despite the coarse scale of the available economic data, every effort should be made to ensure that the displaced revenue calculations are based on the actual closure boundaries described in the alternative, rather than on the number of blocks wholly or partially encompassed by a closed area.

One methodology proposed by NMFS is to analyze the alternative as if all blocks with even a small percentage of area in a closure become completely closed. Since this method assumes closures are much larger than they actually are, the results will be systematically biased toward gross overestimation. This will only serve to confuse the public and decision makers.

Rather than assuming that an entire block becomes closed when there is any degree of overlap, a proportional approach will provide results based on the amount of area actually closed. A reasonable methodology is to calculate the proportion of each 10 x 10 minute block that is overlapped by an area closure and estimated displaced revenue in each block by this proportion.

$$\sum_i C_i V_i * p \text{ where } p = \text{the proportion of the block proposed closed}$$

The implicit assumption behind this approach is that revenue is generated equivalently throughout each area. In fact, even this assumption is likely to bias results toward overestimation simply because the closed areas within each block are focused on rocky, hard, biogenic, and complex substrate habitat, which are areas likely to have lower relative trawl effort than nearby areas within the block. For example, Bellman and Heppell (in press) found that trawl footrope restrictions displaced trawl effort out of areas of rocky, complex substrate. Therefore, it is likely that a formal area closure based on complex, sensitive substrate will cause less displaced revenue than if trawl effort were evenly distributed throughout each block. Thus, estimates of displaced effort using a proportional approach may be the best way to analyze data aggregated by 10 x 10 block, but they should be seen as “worst-case scenarios” because of the implicit assumptions (Table 46).

A further way to improve the economic analysis is to obtain data at a finer scale than 10 x 10 minutes. Vessel monitoring systems currently in place for trawl vessels have the ability to show trawl tracks at a much higher precision than logbook or fish ticket data. For example, Drouin (2001) found that VMS systems could more accurately show fishing locations in relation to area closures in the Bering Sea, where NMFS had previously been unable to track vessels with such precision. Incorporating VMS data to improve the spatial resolution of the economic analysis will greatly improve the validity of the results.

Our estimates almost surely overestimate the economic consequences by assuming that revenue from a closed area would be foregone. Because of this, and the spatial scale of the economic data used in the analyses, the preliminary economic estimates are almost certainly biased upward. More refined analyses would result in more accurate and smaller amounts. Finally, we must all recognize that economic analyses of fisheries management measures must include not only considerations of the short-term costs, but also of the long-term benefits of protecting important habitats. While we have not attempted to do so in our economic analysis, we expect that the Council and agency will ensure that such analyses are included in the public Draft EFH EIS.

Table 46: Estimated annual displaced bottom trawl revenue (ex-vessel value in dollars) of closed areas using total block method and proportional closure method.

	Area	Displaced Revenue determined by summation of all 10x10 aggregated fishing effort blocks that contact closed area regardless of degree of overlap	Displaced Revenue determined by proportional overlap of closed area with 10x10 minute aggregated fishing effort block
1	Olympic_1	1,662,559	829,413
2	Olympic_2	1,414,201	541,740
3	Biogenic area_1	200,763	119,392
4	Biogenic area_2	89,908	11,131
5	Grays Canyon	207,042	58,735
6	Biogenic area_3	confidential	confidential
7	Astoria Canyon	740,918	462,042
8	Ridges_biogenic_area_5	571,842	168,824
9	Biogenic area_6	41,779	9,278
10	Biogenic area_7	385,379	74,219
11	Biogenic area_8	100,377	18,980
12	Daisy Bank	143,262	11,514
13	Heceta Bank	654,137	349,105
14	Ridges_biogenic_area_9	58,791	13,200
15	Ridges_biogenic_area_10	240,080	39,830
16	Hard bottom feature_1	146,155	14,081
17	Rogue Canyon	779,441	278,924
18	Biogenic area_11	83,151	6,262
19	Eel River Canyon	943,159	622,250
20	Mendocino Ridge	482,048	282,791
21	Hard bottom feature_2	253,206	44,469
22	Biogenic area_12	230,710	60,066
23	Cordell Bank	405,821	138,984
24	Hard bottom feature_3	102,054	4,364
25	Hard bottom feature_4	251,224	38,892
26	Monterey Bay and Canyon	598,445	456,398
27	Hard bottom feature_5	40,468	3,158
28	Biogenic area_13	240,462	12,483
29	Morrow ridge	382,100	117,308
30	Channel Islands	58,061	16,593
31	Cowcod conservation area_west	confidential	confidential
32	Hard bottom feature_6	43,562	2,986
33	Cowcod conservation area_east	0	0
34	Thompson Seamount	0	0
35	President Jackson Seamount	0	0
36	Taney Seamount	0	0
37	Gumdrop Seamount	0	0
38	Pioneer Seamount	confidential	confidential
39	Guide Seamount	confidential	confidential
40	Davidson Seamount	0	0
41	San Juan Seamount	0	0
	Total w/out confidential data	11,551,105	4,807,410
	Grand Total	11,563,141	4,810,730

Table 47: Total Pacific Coast Bottom Trawl Fleet catches and ex-vessel revenue 2000-2003

Pacific Coast Bottom Trawl Fleet catches and ex-vessel revenue 2000-2003					
		YEAR			
Species	Data Aggregation	2000	2001	2002	2003
Arrowtooth Flounder	Landed weight (lbs)	7,170,535	5,425,216	4,582,835	5,103,482
	Exvessel revenue	831,860	648,699	498,703	554,443
Flatfish	Landed weight (lbs)	8,354,981	8,481,175	7,741,412	8,057,403
	Exvessel revenue	2,580,275	2,885,416	2,768,998	2,695,104
Dover Sole/ Thornyhead/ Sablefish (DTS)	Landed weight (lbs)	29,553,603	23,842,889	22,506,474	25,802,494
	Exvessel revenue	18,170,505	15,409,466	13,763,840	15,335,537
Petrale Sole	Landed weight (lbs)	4,155,603	4,036,024	3,936,352	4,394,213
	Exvessel revenue	4,215,263	4,045,334	3,606,273	4,374,169
Shelf Rock	Landed weight (lbs)	1,518,322	1,313,795	1,374,925	735,935
	Exvessel revenue	755,398	632,278	640,293	277,546
Slope Rock	Landed weight (lbs)	2,220,702	2,110,762	1,858,987	1,532,948
	Exvessel revenue	846,602	804,769	752,806	556,636
Nearshore Rock	Landed weight (lbs)	6,854	7,037	11,621	4,408
	Exvessel revenue	6,046	8,136	14,438	3,518
Other Groundfish	Landed weight (lbs)	221,850	238,368	313,064	327,130
	Exvessel revenue	141,014	161,835	224,873	169,197
Pacific Cod	Landed weight (lbs)	608,042	706,417	1,650,161	2,739,199
	Exvessel revenue	286,320	355,598	840,080	1,421,739
Total Landed weight (lbs)		53,810,492	46,161,683	43,975,831	48,697,212
Total Exvessel revenue		27,833,283	24,951,531	23,110,305	25,387,890
source: Merrick Burden, NOAA					

Conclusion

As a steward for public resources, the Fisheries Service has an obligation to conserve, protect, and manage living marine resources responsibly. In the Sustainable Fisheries Act of 1996, Congress amended the federal statute governing fishing in the waters off of America's coasts by adding conservation provisions. The Magnuson Stevens Act requires that the Fisheries Service describe and identify Essential Fish Habitat, and minimize the adverse effects of fishing on that habitat to the extent practicable. It was the Fisheries Service's failure to comply with that obligation that resulted in a court order to prepare the EFH EIS now in progress. The Court emphasized that the "[m]ost significant[]" defect in the challenged documents was that "they fail to consider all relevant and feasible alternative." In particular, the Court noted, "There is no substantive discussion of how fishing practices and gear may damage corals, disrupt fish habitat, and destroy benthic life that helps support healthy fish populations." American Oceans Campaign v. Daley, 183 F.Supp. 2d 1, 20 (D.C.C. 2000).

With input from a broad coalition of conservation organizations, recreational fishermen, and commercial fishermen, and based on all of the information we have available to us, we have developed a viable and practicable management alternative for the Pacific. This Comprehensive Alternative recognizes both the importance of corals, sponges, and other sensitive habitats as essential fish habitat, and the importance of maintaining healthy vibrant fisheries in the Pacific. We request the agency and Council adopt this Comprehensive Alternative as the preferred alternative in the Final EIS.

APPENDIX 1: Description of individual areas

The following figures display the GIS data layers that were used in the identification and boundary placement for each of the areas closed to bottom trawling. The tables reflect the number of habitat polygons and area of each habitat type wholly and in part within the boundaries of the area in question.

1) Olympic_1

The areas Olympic_1 and Olympic_2 encompass a portion of the Olympic National Marine Sanctuary. The five National Marine Sanctuaries on the U.S. west coast are “underwater parks” that “embrace part of our collective riches as a nation” (NOAA pamphlet). They were initially designated based on their biological importance and are clearly areas in the ocean deserving of special protection. The area defined as Olympic_1 contains the site of a rare discovery of *Lophelia pertusa* that represents one of the only discoveries of this reef-forming deep sea coral species in the Pacific Ocean. Both areas contain a high density of “untrawlable” areas as defined in the Zimmerman (2003) dataset. There are also numerous records of deep sea corals, including gorgonian corals, and sponges in this area from trawl survey records and the MCBI dataset.

Figure 1: Criterion used in determination of Olympic_1 area closed to bottom trawling

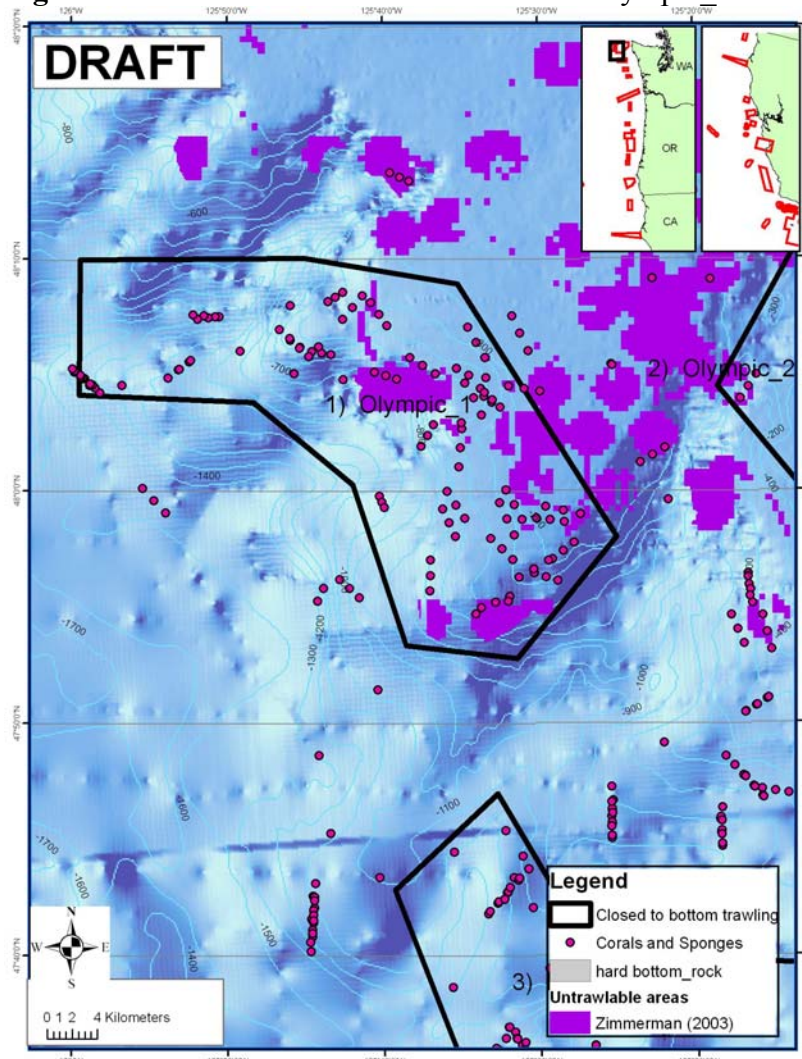
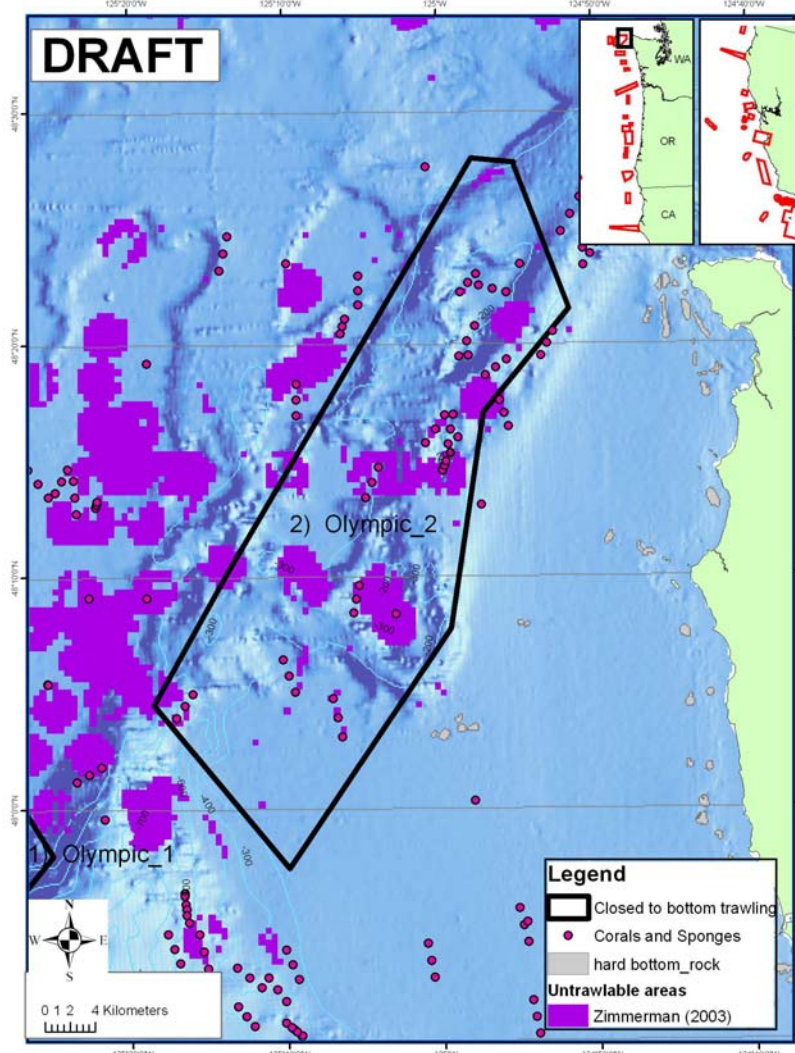


Table 1: Habitat types protected by Olympic_1 closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE*	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Slope	5	331.4
Sedimentary Shelf	7	189.2
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Wall	5	97.7
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Floor	3	72.1
Sedimentary Shelf Canyon Wall	7	10.9
Sedimentary Shelf Canyon Floor	1	0.1
Grand Total	28	701.4

* Note: Habitat polygons as defined by the EFH GIS data in the Olympic Marine Sanctuary area are questionable. Localized multibeam mapping of the area was not integrated into the EFH habitat map, possibly due to compatibility of data (Steve Intelmann, GIS analyst, Olympic Marine Sanctuary, pers. com.). As a result, the EFH habitat polygons show an area known to contain pinnacles and high relief, rocky habitat displayed as “sedimentary shelf” (Steve Intelmann, pers. com.). In addition, Zimmerman (2003) showed a large proportion of the area to be untrawlable.

2) Olympic_2

Figure 2: Criterion used in determination of Olympic_2 area closed to bottom trawling**Table 2:** Habitat types protected by Olympic_2 closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE*	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Glacial Shelf Deposit	8	390.0
Sedimentary Shelf Gully	2	215.0
Sedimentary Shelf	5	155.0
Grand Total	15	760.0

*note-Habitat polygons as defined by the EFH GIS data in the Olympic Marine Sanctuary area are questionable. Localized multibeam mapping of the area was not integrated into the EFH habitat map, possibly due to compatibility of data (Steve Intelmann, GIS analyst, Olympic Marine Sanctuary, pers. com.). As a result, the EFH habitat polygons show an area known to contain pinnacles and high relief, rocky habitat displayed as “sedimentary shelf” (Steve Intelmann, pers. com.). In addition, Zimmerman (2003) showed a large proportion of the area to be untrawable.

3) Biogenic Area_1

This area, located off the slope and outside of Olympic Marine Sanctuary, contains deep-water biogenic habitat. The area encompasses 126 records of coral and sponge. While the number of documented records of corals and sponges has increased over the years, the CPUE of corals and sponges has decreased since 1992.

Figure 3: Criterion used in determination of Biogenic Area_1 area closed to bottom trawling

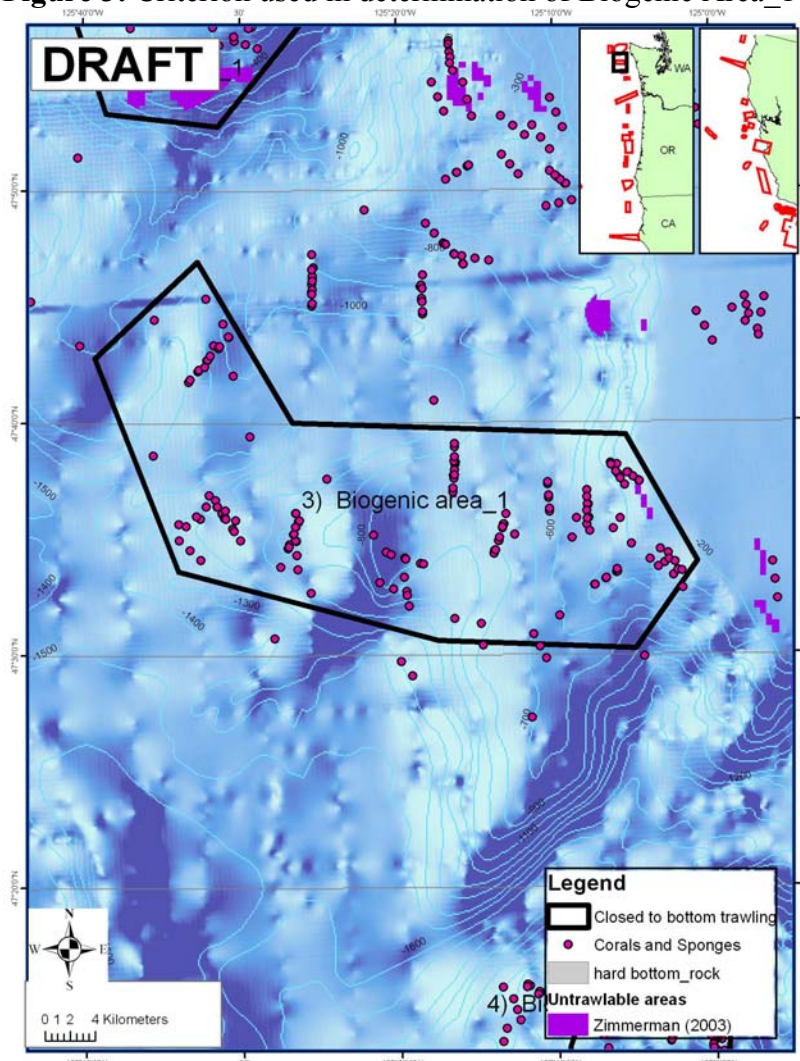


Table 3: Habitat types protected by Biogenic Area_1 closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Slope	1	401.5
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Wall	6	273.9
Sedimentary Basin	3	43.6
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Floor	3	20.4
Sedimentary Slope Gully	2	11.6
Grand Total	15	751.1

4) Biogenic Area_2

Figure 4: Criterion used in determination of Biogenic Area_2 area closed to bottom trawling

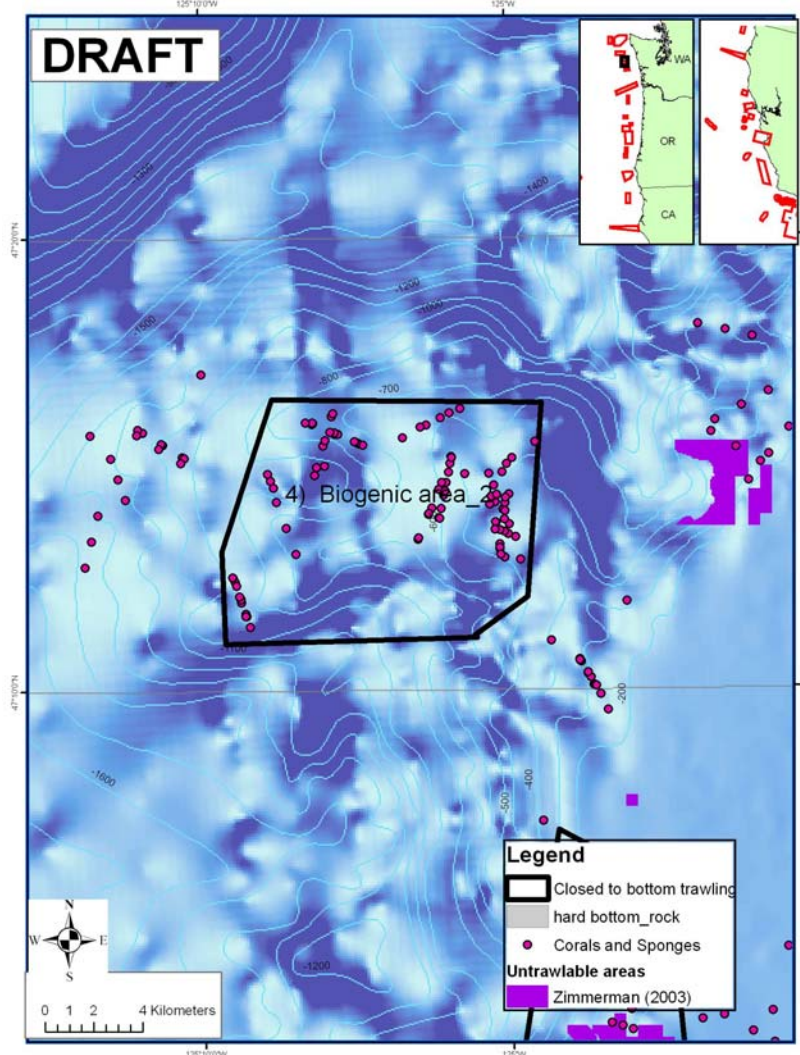


Table 4: Habitat types protected by Biogenic Area_2 closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Slope	1	93.2
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Wall	1	23.7
Grand Total	2	117.0

5) Grays Canyon

This site is known to have high upwelling and to be one of the most productive offshore sites off the Washington coast. It is also the site of major ecotourism and birdwatching operations.

Figure 5: Criterion used in determination of Grays Canyon area closed to bottom trawling

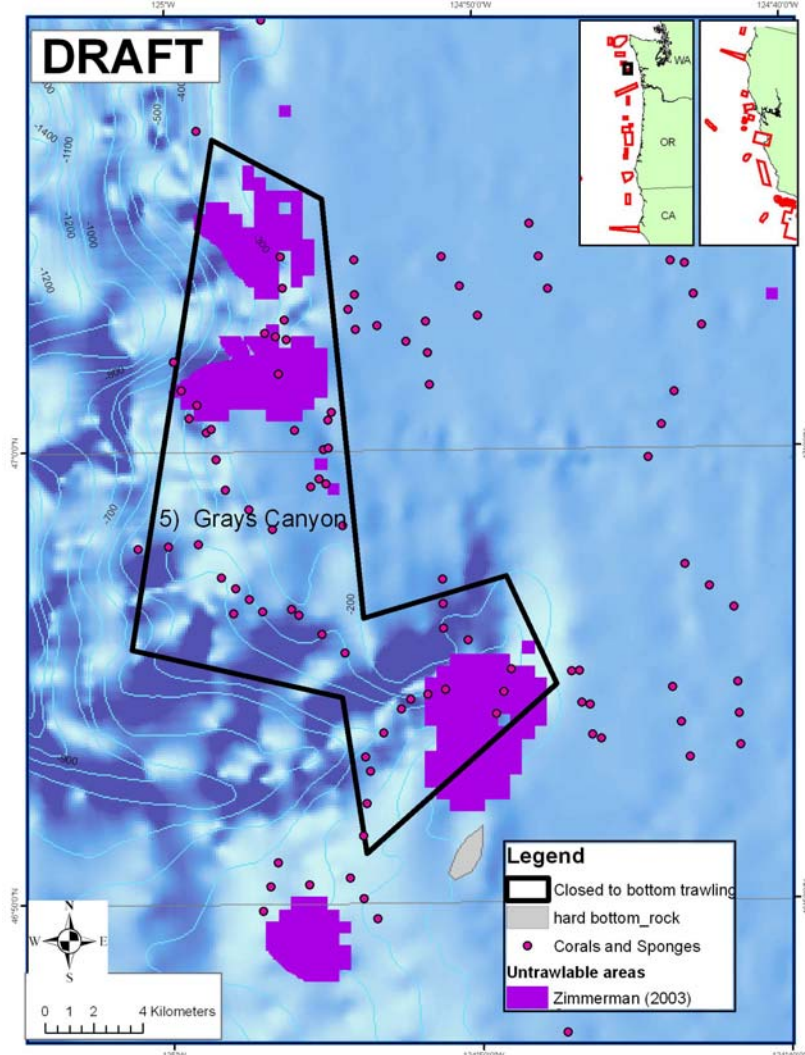


Table 5: Habitat types protected by Grays Canyon closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Shelf	2	90.3
Sedimentary Shelf Canyon Wall	3	55.4
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Wall	2	34.5
Sedimentary Slope	5	19.4
Sedimentary Shelf Canyon Floor	1	6.8
Grand Total	13	206.3

6) Biogenic Area_3

Figure 6: Criterion used in determination of Biogenic Area_3 area closed to bottom trawling

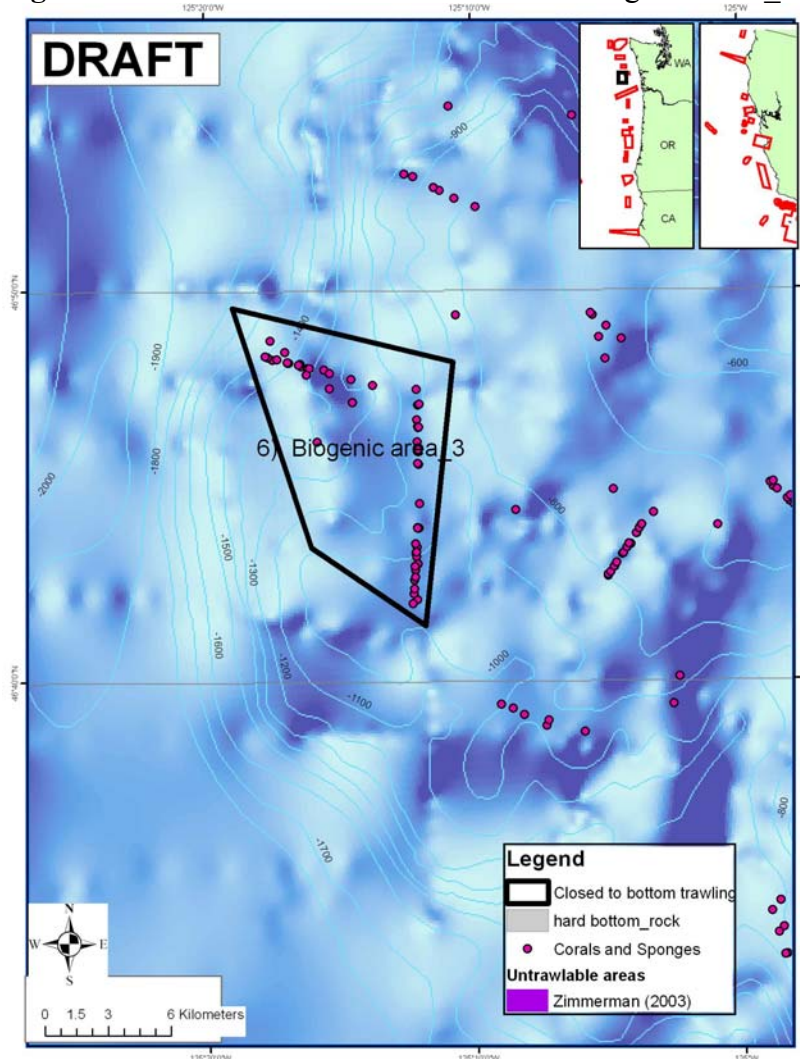


Table 6: Habitat types protected by Biogenic Area_3 closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Slope	1	91.2
Grand Total	1	91.2

7) Astoria Canyon

The largest submarine canyon in the Pacific Northwest is Astoria Canyon, off the mouth of the Columbia River. This canyon contains a range of habitat types from sedimentary slopes to hard rock canyon walls. There are many records of biogenic habitats in this canyon (Clarke 2004, Etnoyer & Morgan 2003). Within the proposed Astoria Canyon closed area, 101 deep-sea coral and sponge records have been documented. This canyon has also been studied using ROPOS submersibles.

Figure 7: Criterion used in determination of Astoria Canyon area closed to bottom trawling

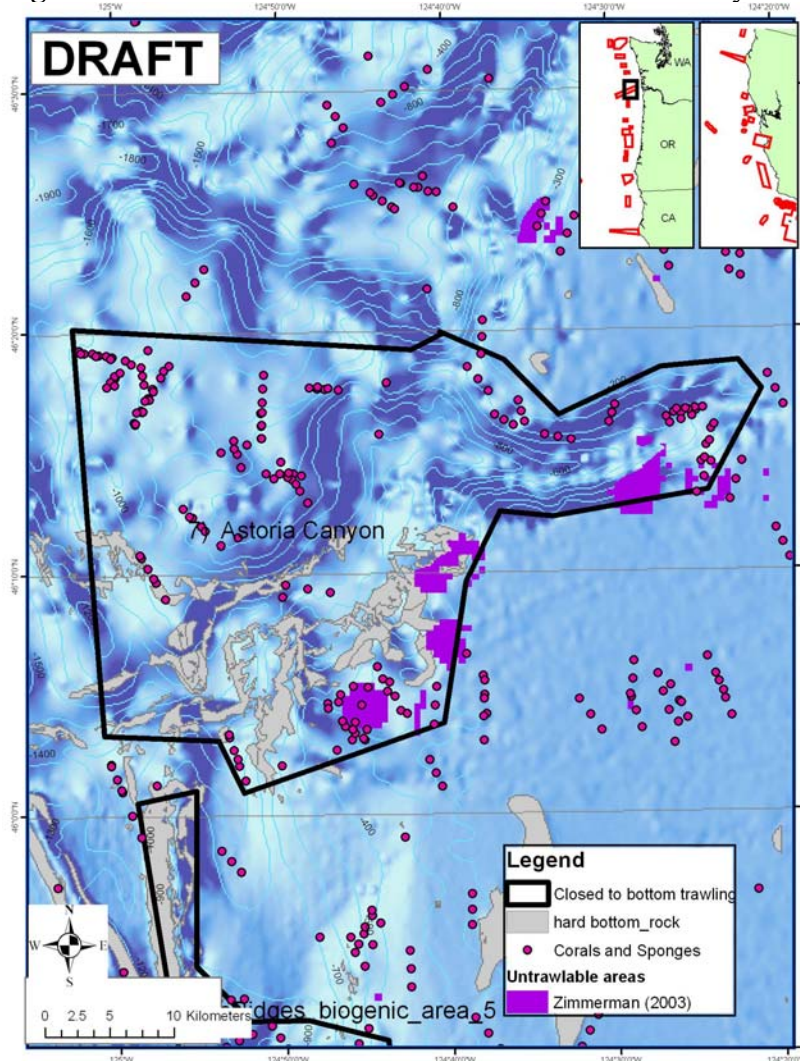


Table 7: Habitat types protected by Astoria Canyon closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Slope	24	412.9
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Wall	104	193.3
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Floor	9	159.6
Sedimentary Ridge	36	105.6
Rocky Slope Canyon Wall	56	63.7
Sedimentary Shelf Canyon Wall	13	49.6
Sedimentary Shelf	12	35.2
Sedimentary Basin	10	24.5
Rocky Ridge	8	22.8
Rocky Slope	47	21.9
Sedimentary Shelf Canyon Floor	1	14.5
Sedimentary Slope Landslide	10	11.9
Rocky Slope Landslide	2	8.3
Rocky Slope Canyon Floor	22	3.3
Rocky Basin	2	0.0
Grand Total	356	1127.1

8) Ridges_Biogenic Area_5

Figure 8: Criterion used in determination of Ridges_biogenic_area_5 area closed to bottom trawling

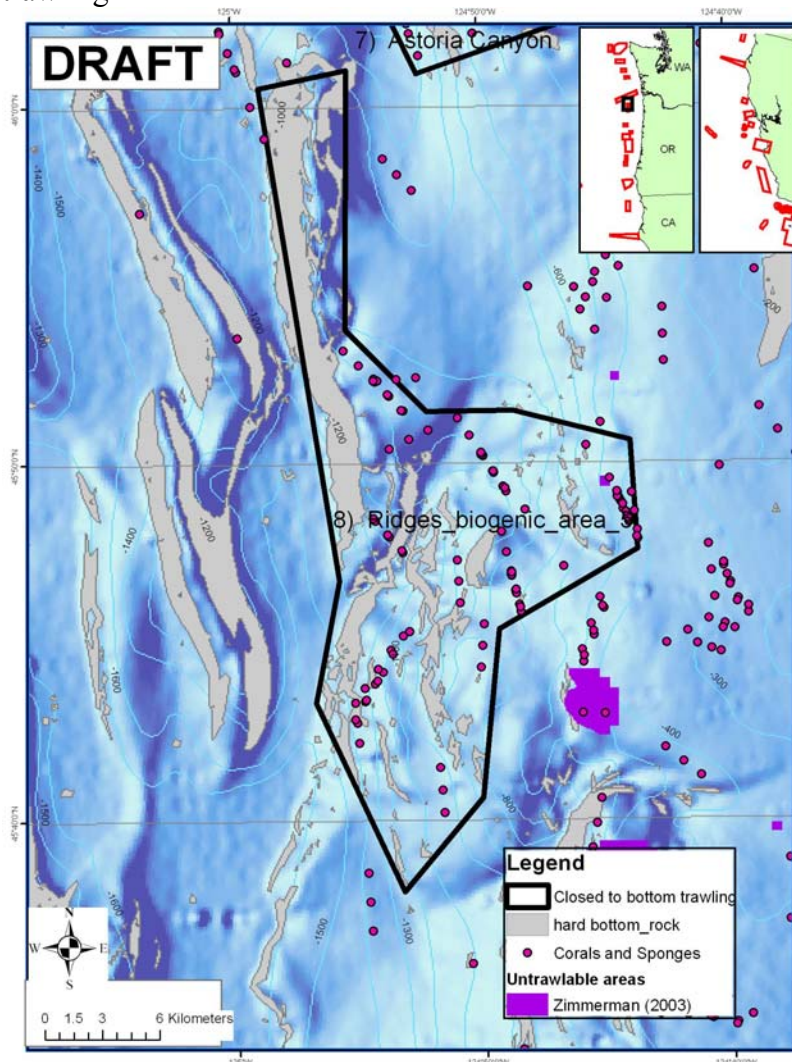


Table 8: Habitat types protected by Ridges_biogenic_area_5 closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Ridge	30	179.8
Rocky Ridge	105	76.8
Sedimentary Slope	3	29.2
Sedimentary Shelf	1	15.9
Sedimentary Basin	3	13.4
Rocky Slope	12	0.6
Rocky Basin	2	0.1
Rocky Shelf	3	0.1
Grand Total	159	315.8

9) Biogenic Area_6

Figure 9: Criterion used in determination of Biogenic area_6 area closed to bottom trawling

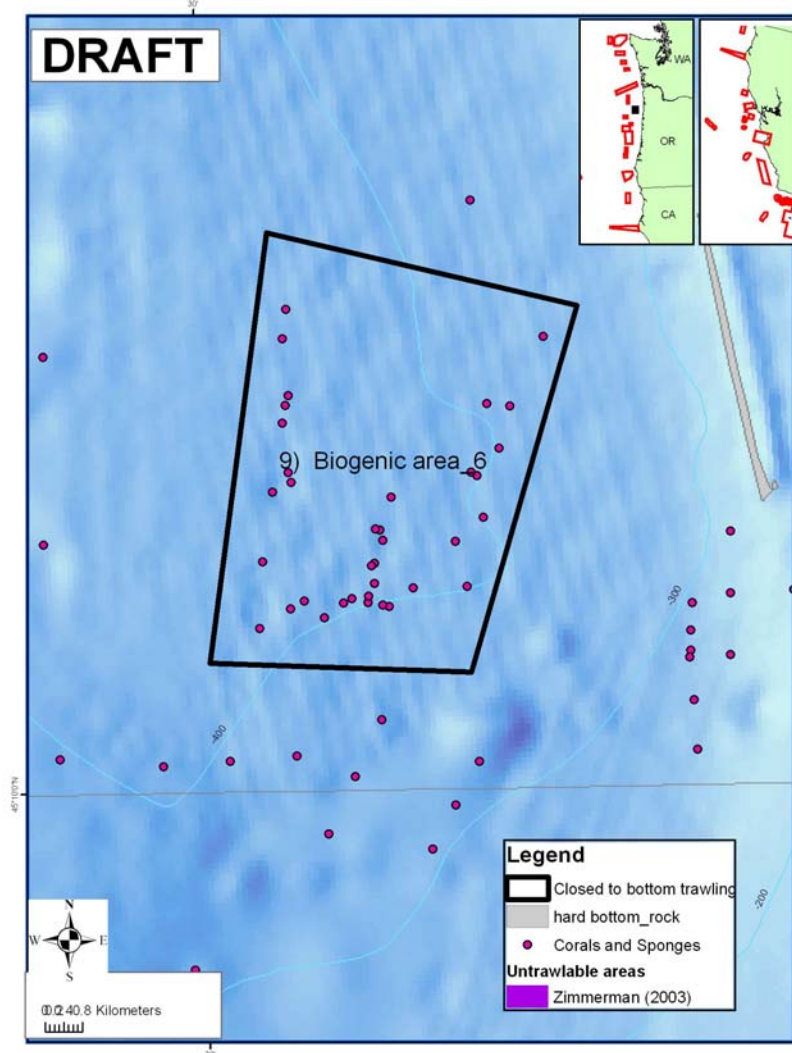


Table 9: Habitat types protected by Biogenic area_6 closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Slope	1	53.8
Grand Total	1	53.8

10) Biogenic Area_7

Figure 10: Criterion used in determination of Biogenic area_7 area closed to bottom trawling

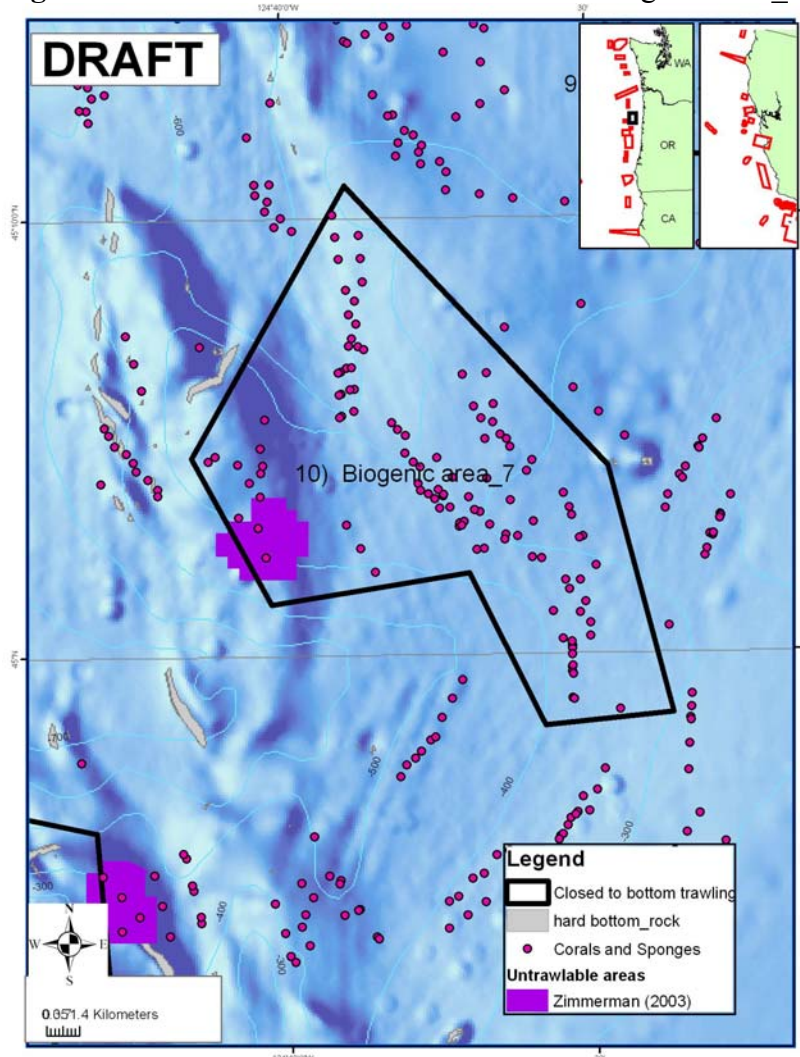


Table 10: Habitat types protected by Biogenic area_7 closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Slope	1	195.2
Sedimentary Ridge	2	35.5
Grand Total	3	230.7

11) Biogenic Area_8

Figure 11: Criterion used in determination of Biogenic_area_8 area closed to bottom trawling

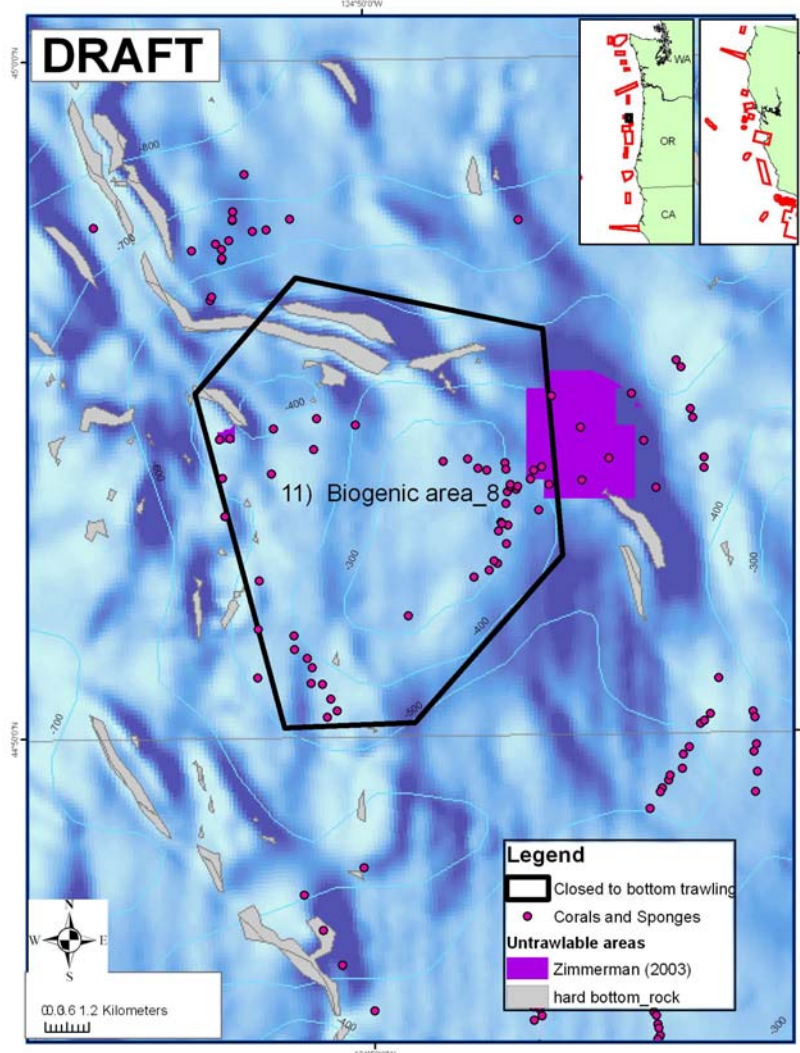


Table 11: Habitat types protected by Biogenic_area_8 closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Slope	1	71.5
Sedimentary Ridge	4	16.5
Rocky Ridge	11	3.8
Rocky Slope	10	0.2
Grand Total	26	92.1

12) Daisy Bank

Daisy Bank, north of Heceta Bank, has been less heavily fished and is also comprised largely of hard bottom habitat. Hixon (1991) documented large sponge beds on this bank. Daisy Bank has been likened to the “Sitka Pinnacles (a biodiverse MPA in Alaska) of the Pacific Northwest” (Hixon, pers. com.).

Figure 12: Criterion used in determination of Daisy Bank area closed to bottom trawling

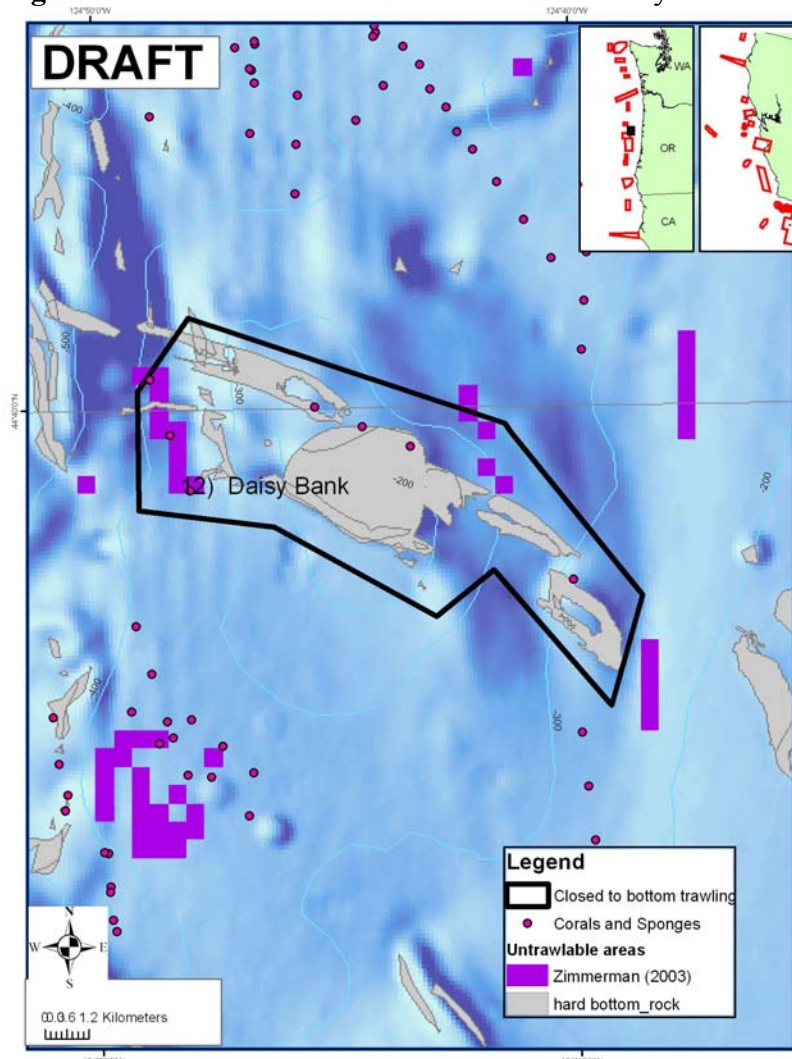


Table 12: Habitat types protected by Daisy Bank closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Slope	12	37.8
Rocky Ridge	15	11.6
Rocky Slope	30	8.9
Sedimentary Ridge	6	7.6
Grand Total	63	65.9

13) Heceta Bank

Heceta Bank is the largest rocky reef in the Pacific northwest. This large bank off the coast of central Oregon is largely comprised of hard bottom substrate. Recent explorations have documented key areas of sponges and crinoids. Wakefield (unpublished data) discovered high abundances of crinoids and sponges creating biogenic habitat for groundfish in some areas of Heceta Bank.

Figure 13: Criterion used in determination of Heceta Bank area closed to bottom trawling

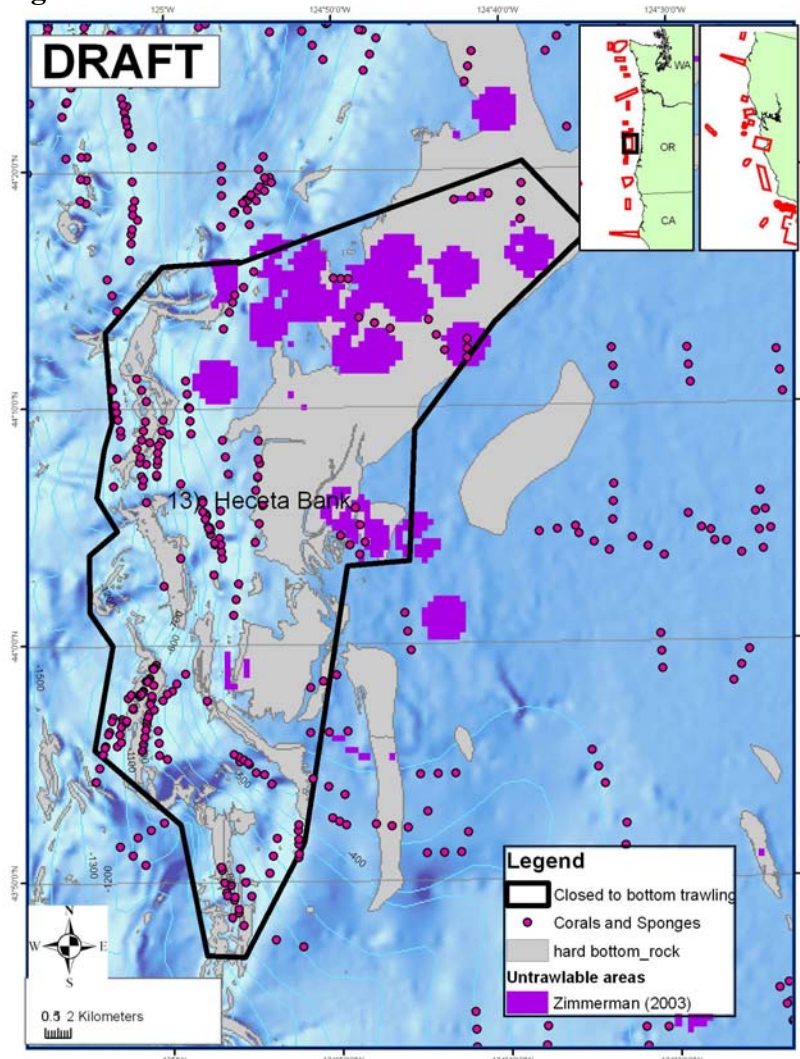


Table 13: Habitat types protected by Heceta Bank closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Rocky Shelf	39	429.3
Sedimentary Slope	22	266.7
Sedimentary Shelf	4	216.0
Sedimentary Slope Landslide	70	116.0
Rocky Slope Landslide	50	59.1
Rocky Slope	117	51.4
Rocky Ridge	5	9.1
Rocky Slope Canyon Wall	3	6.2
Sedimentary Ridge	13	4.5
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Floor	1	2.8
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Wall	16	1.8
Rocky Slope Canyon Floor	11	0.1
Grand Total	351	1163.0

14) Ridges_Biogenic Area_9

Figure 14: Criterion used in determination of Ridges_biogenic_area_9 area closed to bottom trawling

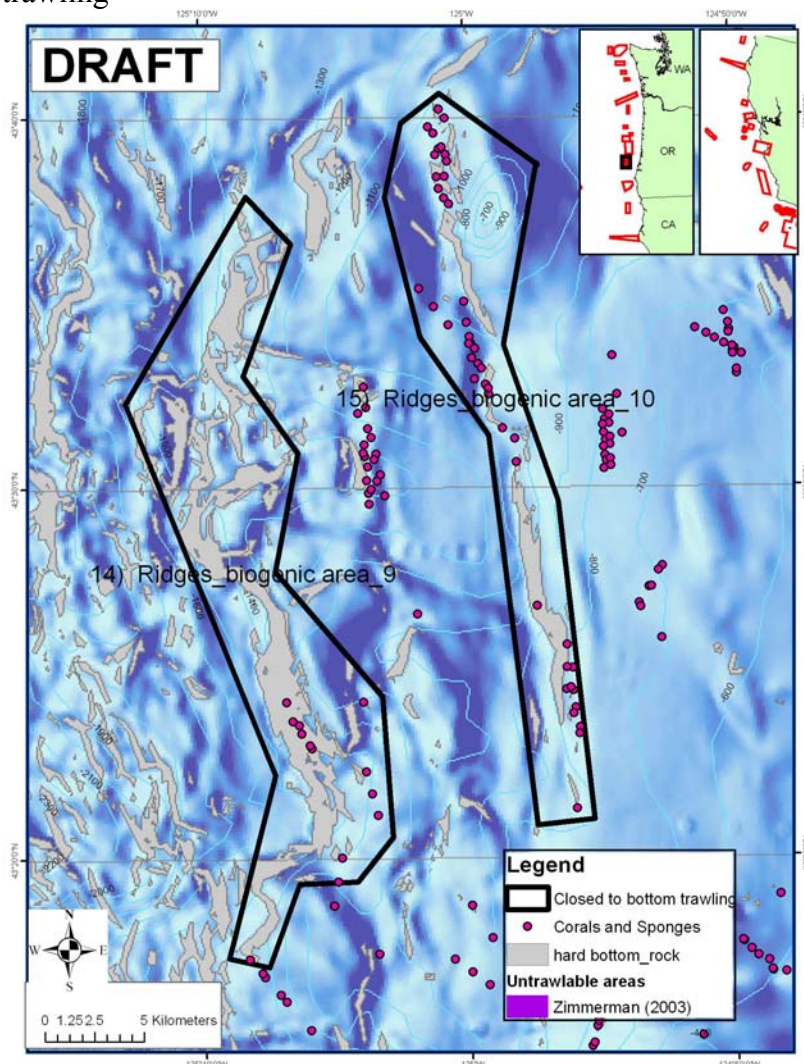


Table 14: Habitat types protected by Ridges_biogenic_area_9 closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Slope Landslide	48	96.2
Rocky Slope Landslide	45	56.3
Sedimentary Slope	3	40.1
Rocky Slope	39	6.1
Grand Total	135	198.8

15) Ridges_Biogenic Area_10

Figure 15: Criterion used in determination of Ridges_biogenic_area_10 area closed to bottom trawling

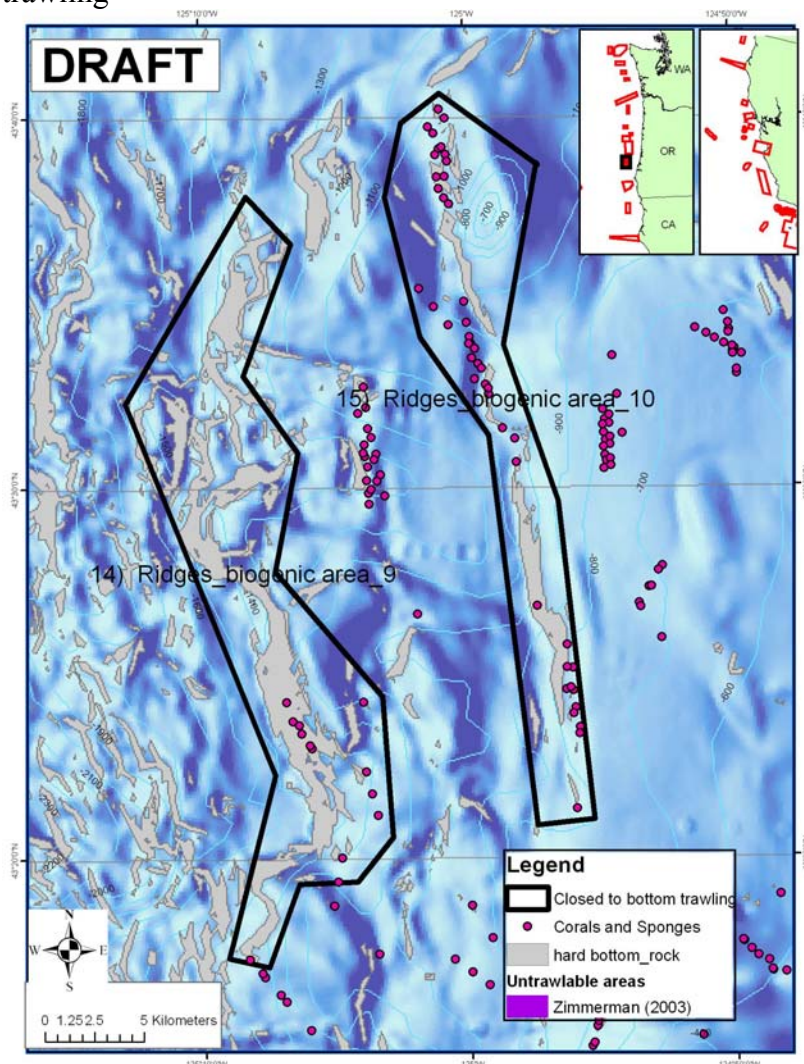


Table 15: Habitat types protected by Ridges_biogenic_area_10 closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Ridge	7	62.1
Sedimentary Slope	1	56.1
Rocky Ridge	30	16.2
Sedimentary Basin	1	5.7
Rocky Slope	6	0.7
Sedimentary Slope Landslide	1	0.5
Grand Total	46	141.3

16) Hard Bottom Feature_1

Figure 16: Criterion used in determination of Hard bottom feature_1 area closed to bottom trawling

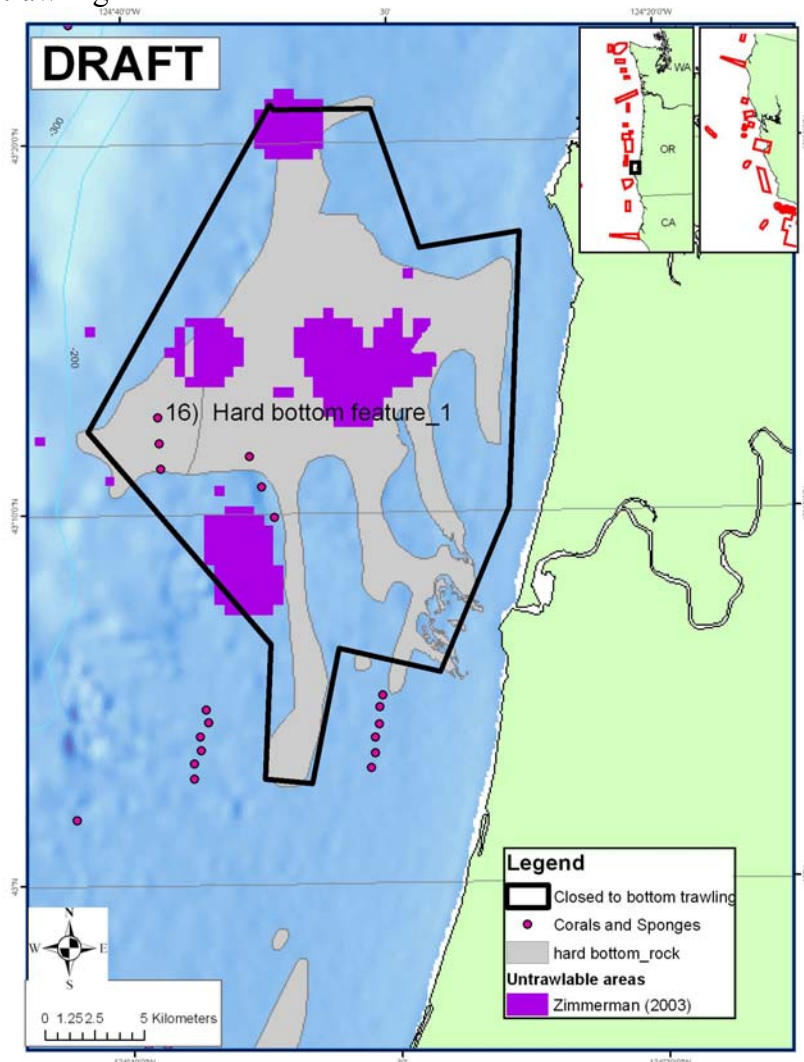


Table 16: Habitat types protected by Hard bottom feature_1 closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Rocky Shelf	18	211.6
Sedimentary Shelf	8	171.1
Rocky Slope	1	24.8
Sedimentary Slope	2	22.0
Grand Total	29	429.5

17) Rogue Canyon

This submarine canyon contains high amounts of hard substrate (NOAA), a high relative density of megafaunal invertebrate records, and is known for its large canyon walls and ridges.

Figure 17: Criterion used in determination of Rogue Canyon area closed to bottom trawling

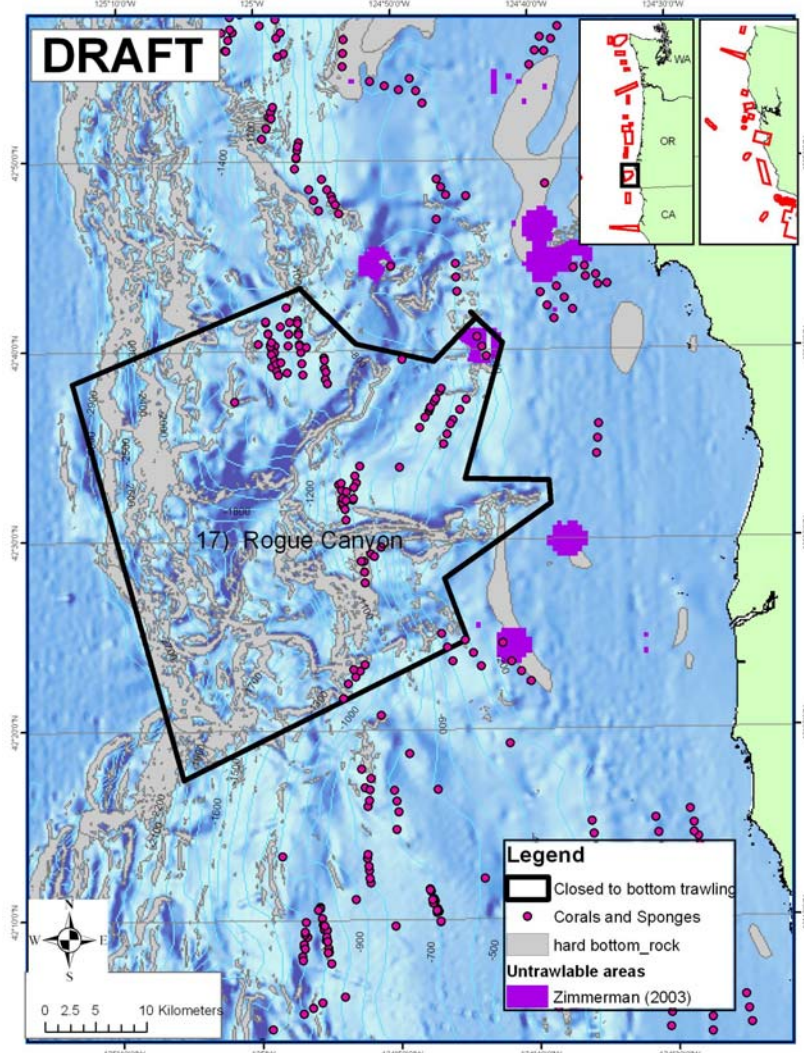


Table 17: Habitat types protected by Rogue Canyon closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Slope Landslide	77	545.2
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Wall	350	273.4
Rocky Slope Canyon Wall	171	126.3
Rocky Slope Landslide	241	123.3
Sedimentary Slope	6	95.3
Rocky Slope Canyon Floor	138	88.8
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Floor	48	61.4
Sedimentary Shelf	4	18.3
Sedimentary Shelf Canyon Wall	21	2.2
Rocky Slope	18	1.5
Rocky Shelf	5	0.9
Rocky Shelf Canyon Wall	1	0.2
Grand Total	1080	1336.7

18) Biogenic Area_11

Figure 18: Criterion used in determination of Biogenic area_11 area closed to bottom trawling

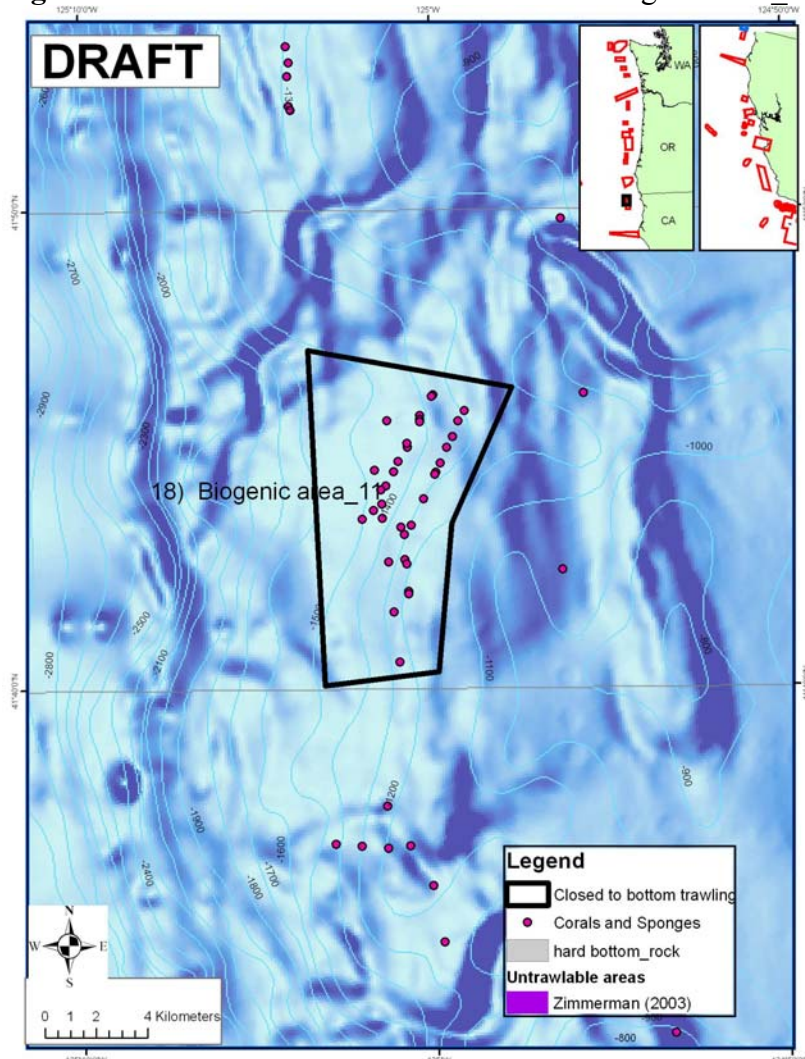


Table 18: Habitat types protected by Biogenic area_11 closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Slope	1	48.5
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Wall	3	12.3
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Floor	1	9.2
Grand Total	5	70.1

19) Eel River Canyon

Figure 19: Criterion used in determination of Eel River Canyon area closed to bottom trawling

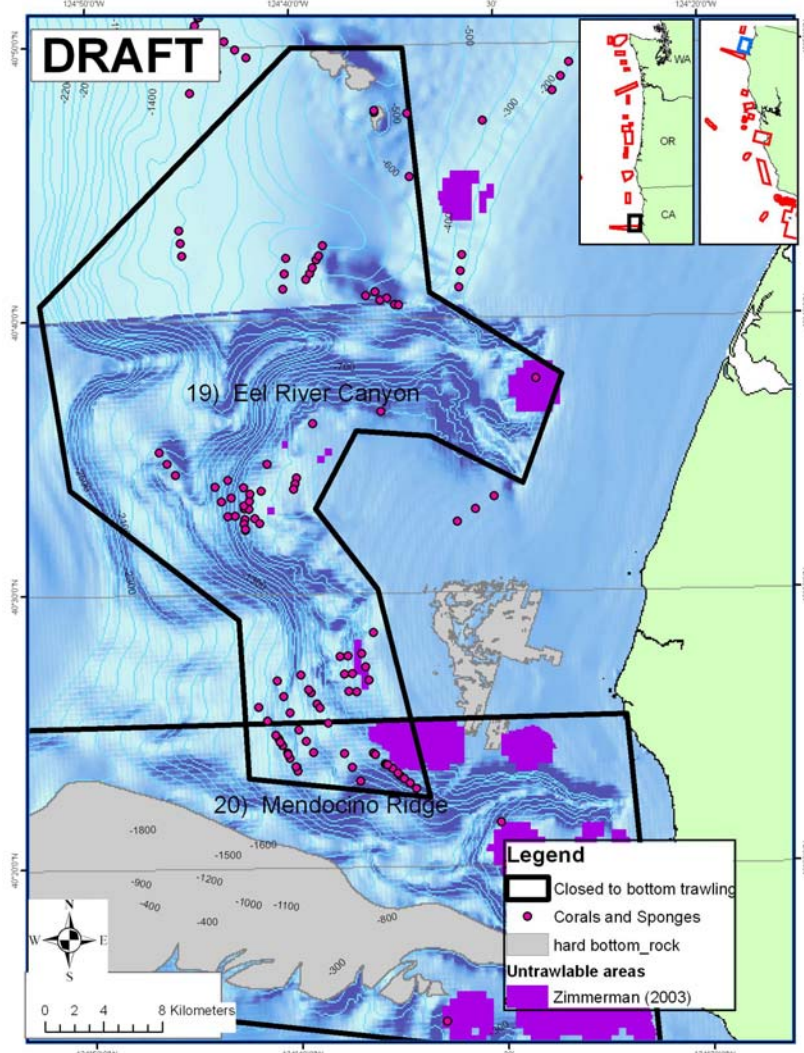


Table 19: Habitat types protected by Eel River Canyon closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Slope	3	461.8
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Wall	7	146.6
Sedimentary Slope Gully	2	137.3
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Floor	5	89.6
Sedimentary Shelf	1	62.5
Sedimentary Apron	1	9.4
Rocky Ridge	3	5.8
Sedimentary Apron Canyon Floor	1	3.7
Grand Total	23	916.7

20) Mendocino Ridge

Mendocino Ridge, also known as the Gorda Escarpment, is a large underwater ridge running east to west separating two major marine ecological provinces.

Figure 20: Criterion used in determination of Mendocino Ridge area closed to bottom trawling

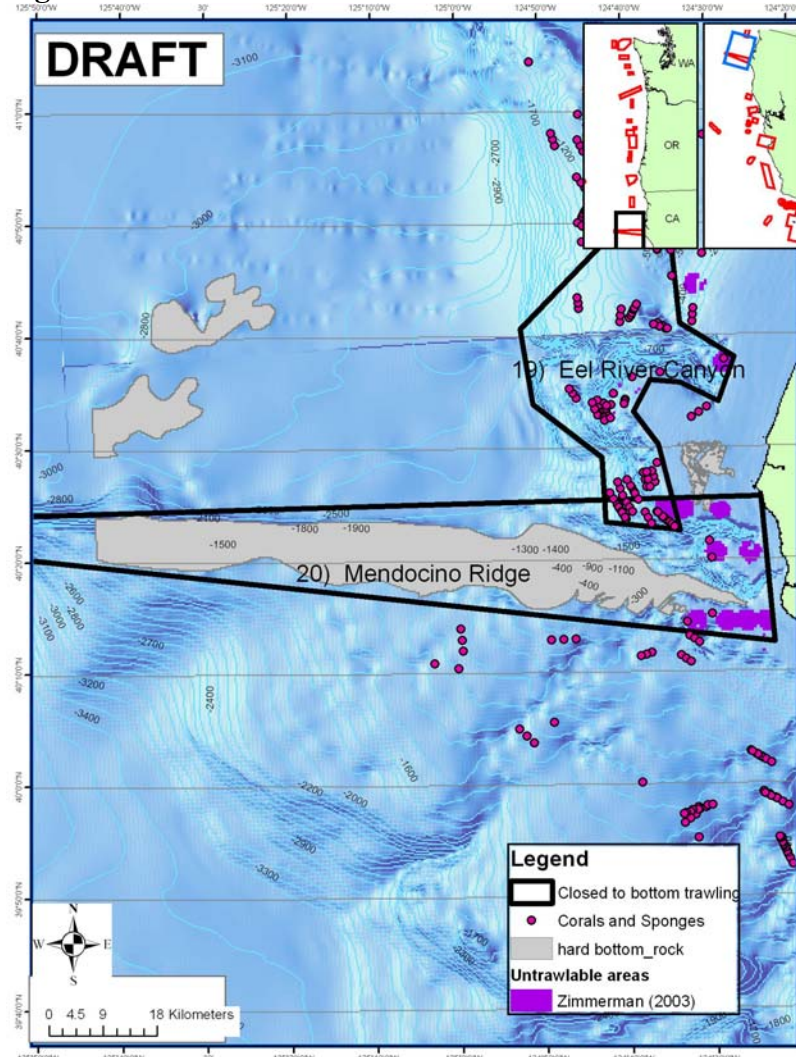


Table 20: Habitat types protected by Mendocino Ridge closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Rocky Ridge	1	909.4
Sedimentary Shelf	24	194.9
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Floor	5	192.5
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Wall	2	182.5
Sedimentary Slope	7	123.3
Sedimentary Apron	3	114.0
Rocky Shelf	5	3.3
Sedimentary Apron Canyon Floor	2	1.8
Grand Total	49	1721.7

21) Hard Bottom Feature_2

Figure 21: Criterion used in determination of Hard bottom feature_2 area closed to bottom trawling

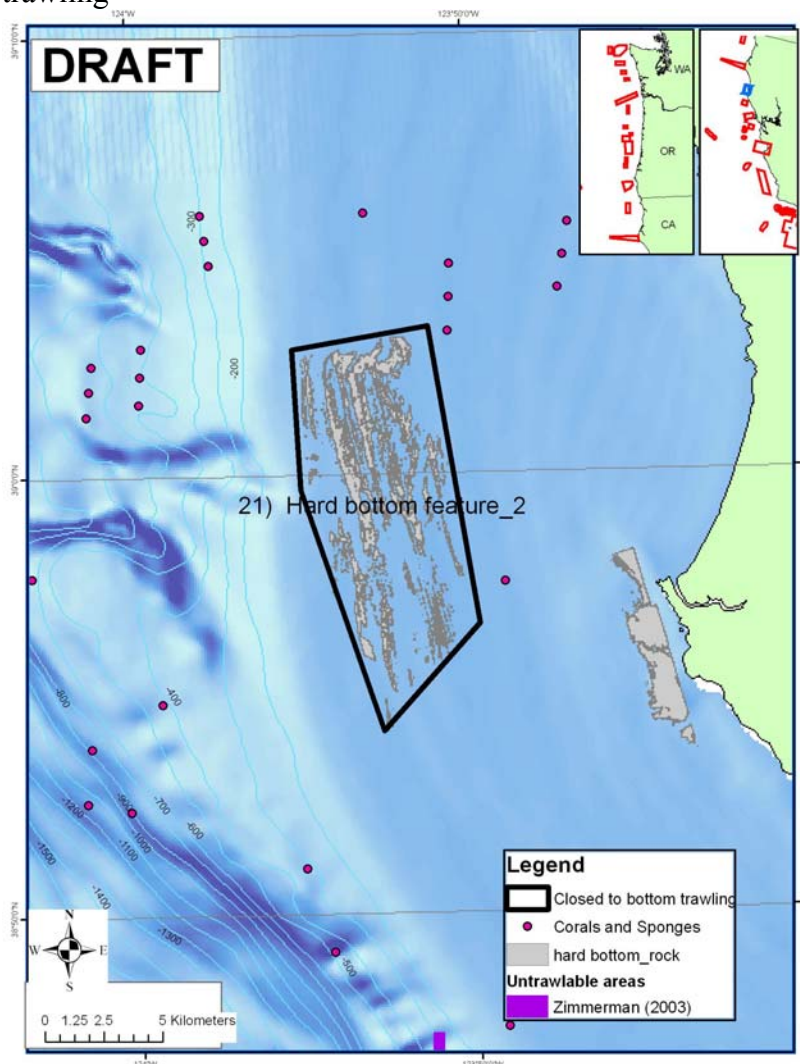


Table 21: Habitat types protected by Hard bottom feature_2 closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Shelf	254	70.0
Rocky Shelf	1054	18.1
Grand Total	1308	88.0

22) Biogenic Area_12

Figure 22: Criterion used in determination of Biogenic area_12 area closed to bottom trawling

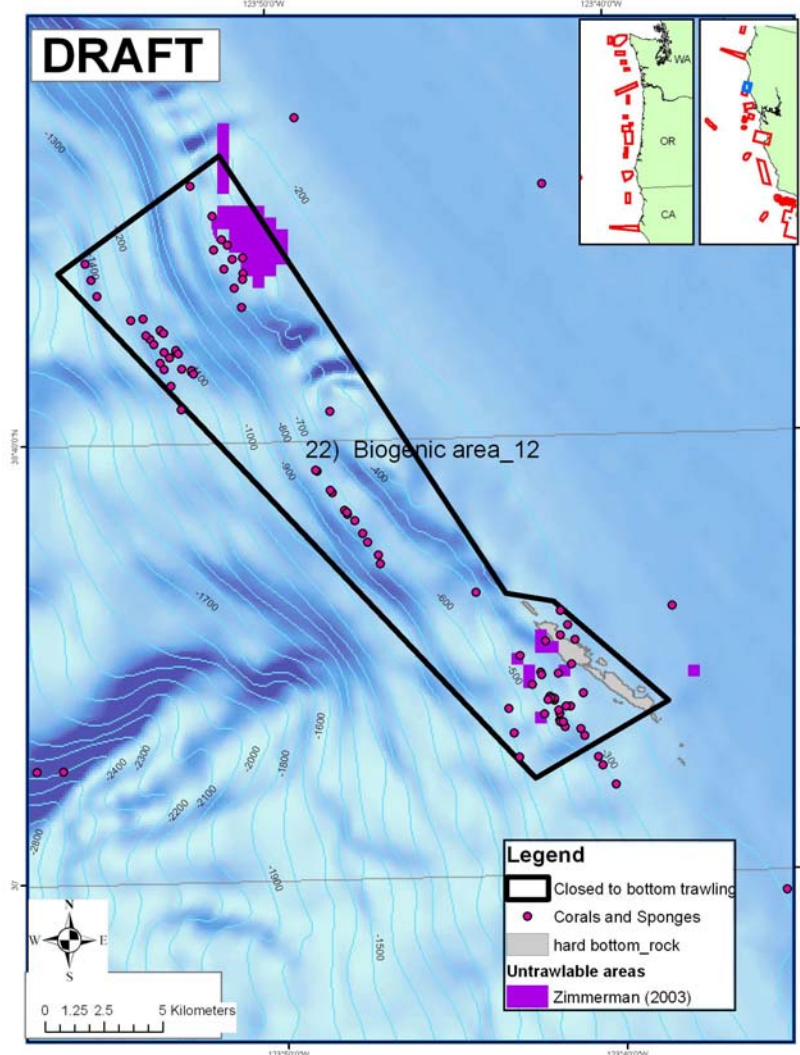


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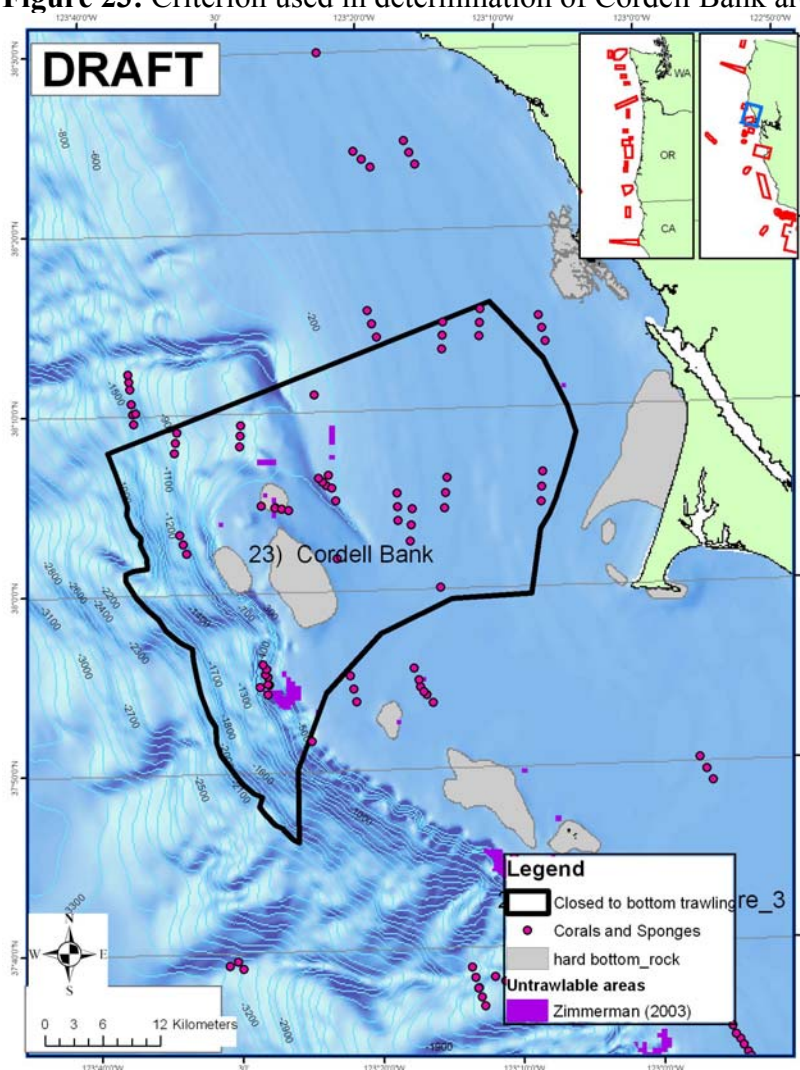
HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Slope	1	179.2
Sedimentary Shelf	3	5.9
Rocky Shelf	8	3.3
Grand Total	12	188.3

23) Cordell Bank

Cordell Bank is an underwater island surrounded by deep water on three sides. At depths between 35 m and 50 m, the rocky habitats are carpeted with sponges, ascidians, hydrocorals, anemones, and sea stars. Fed by the productive currents, this seafloor habitat creates complex living structures for juvenile rockfish, lingcod, and many species of adult rockfish.

Designated as a national marine sanctuary in 1989, Cordell Bank is one of the most productive offshore areas in the United States. The combination of the California current, upwelling of nutrient rich ocean waters and the topography of the area provides for a flourishing ecosystem. This area is thickly covered by sponges, anemones, hydrocorals, and other invertebrates. It also hosts 180 species of fish, providing spawning habitat for lingcod. Finally this area hosts twenty six resident and migratory species of marine mammals.⁵

Figure 23: Criterion used in determination of Cordell Bank area closed to bottom trawling



⁵ Cordell Bank State of the Sanctuary Report, <http://sanctuaries.nos.noaa.gov/oms/omscordell/omscordell.html>
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Table 23: Habitat types protected by Cordell Bank closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Shelf	1	832.5
Sedimentary Slope	1	468.8
Rocky Shelf	3	63.3
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Floor	1	5.5
Grand Total	6	1370.1

24) Hard Bottom Feature_3

Figure 24: Criterion used in determination of Hard bottom feature_3 area closed to bottom trawling

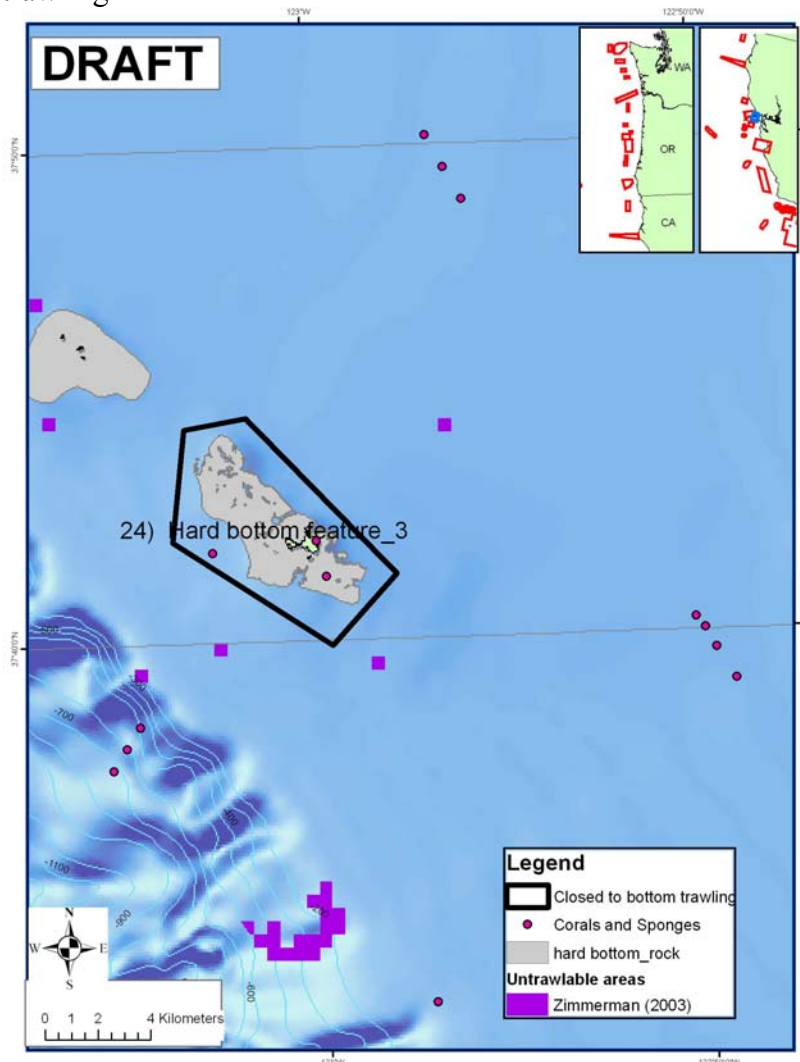


Table 24: Habitat types protected by Hard bottom feature_3 closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Shelf	36	23.2
Rocky Shelf	24	15.5
Island	7	0.4
Sedimentary Shelf Gully	21	0.2
Grand Total	88	39.3

25) Hard Bottom Feature_4

Figure 25: Criterion used in determination of Hard bottom feature_4 area closed to bottom trawling

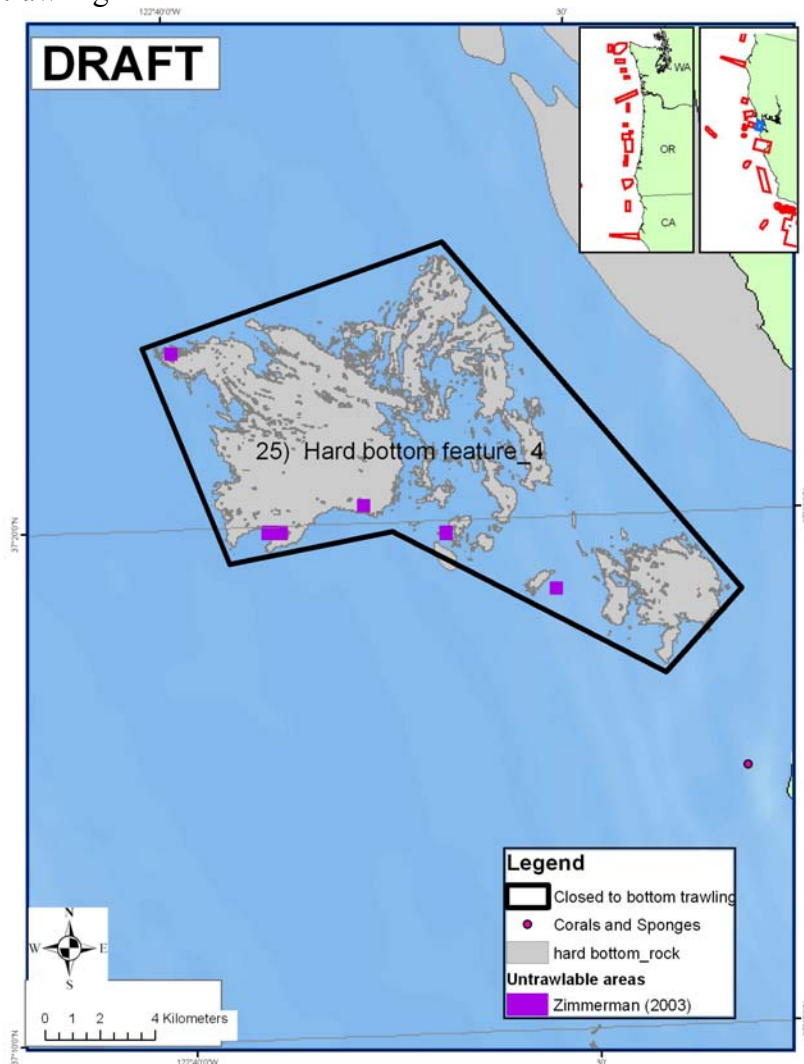


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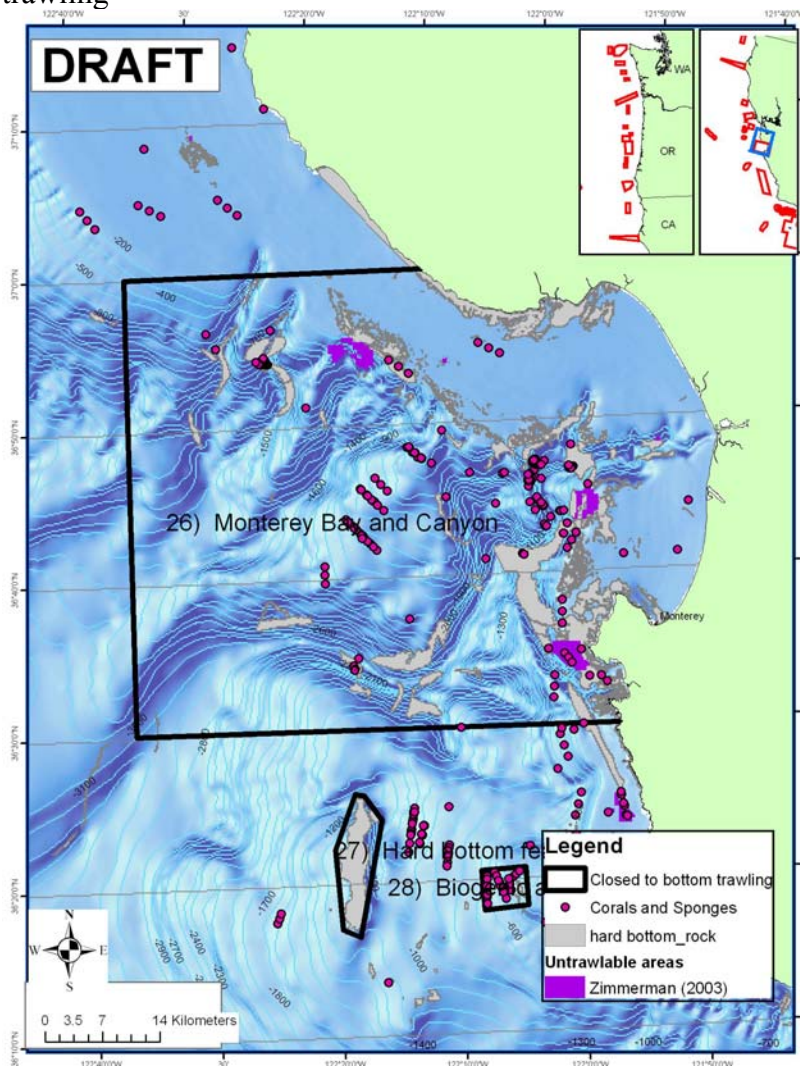
HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Shelf	318	100.7
Rocky Shelf	462	69.6
Grand Total	780	170.2

26) Monterey Bay and Monterey Canyon

The deepest and largest submarine canyon on the coast of North America is the Monterey Canyon, just south of San Francisco, California. This canyon is 470 km long, approximately 12 km wide at its widest point, and has a maximum rim to floor relief of 1,700 m, making it much larger than Arizona's Grand Canyon.

Monterey Bay and Canyon are part of the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary designated in 1992. These areas contain a rich array of habitats from rugged rocky shores and lush kelp forests and one of the largest underwater canyons in North America. The sanctuary supports thirty three species of marine mammals, ninety-four species of seabirds, 345 species of fish, four species of sea turtles and thousands of species of invertebrates.⁶

Figure 26: Criterion used in determination of Monterey Bay and Canyon area closed to bottom trawling



⁶ State of the Sanctuary Report, Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary. <http://www.mbnms.nos.noaa.gov>
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Table 26: Habitat types protected by Monterey Bay and Canyon closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Slope	23	1063.4
Sedimentary Shelf	487	930.1
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Wall	55	696.2
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Floor	5	276.2
Rocky Shelf	1565	169.9
Sedimentary Slope Gully	13	82.5
Sedimentary Shelf Canyon Wall	31	76.8
Sedimentary Slope Gully Floor	35	69.1
Rocky Slope Canyon Wall	26	61.0
Rocky Shelf Canyon Wall	38	52.5
Sedimentary Apron Canyon Wall	1	32.4
Sedimentary Slope Landslide	12	30.7
Rocky Slope	13	27.9
Rocky Slope Landslide	3	3.9
Sedimentary Shelf Canyon Floor	7	1.0
Rocky Slope Gully	53	0.8
Island	49	0.5
Sedimentary Apron	1	0.4
Grand Total	2417	3575.5

27) Hard Bottom Feature_5

Figure 27: Criterion used in determination of Hard bottom feature_5 area closed to bottom trawling

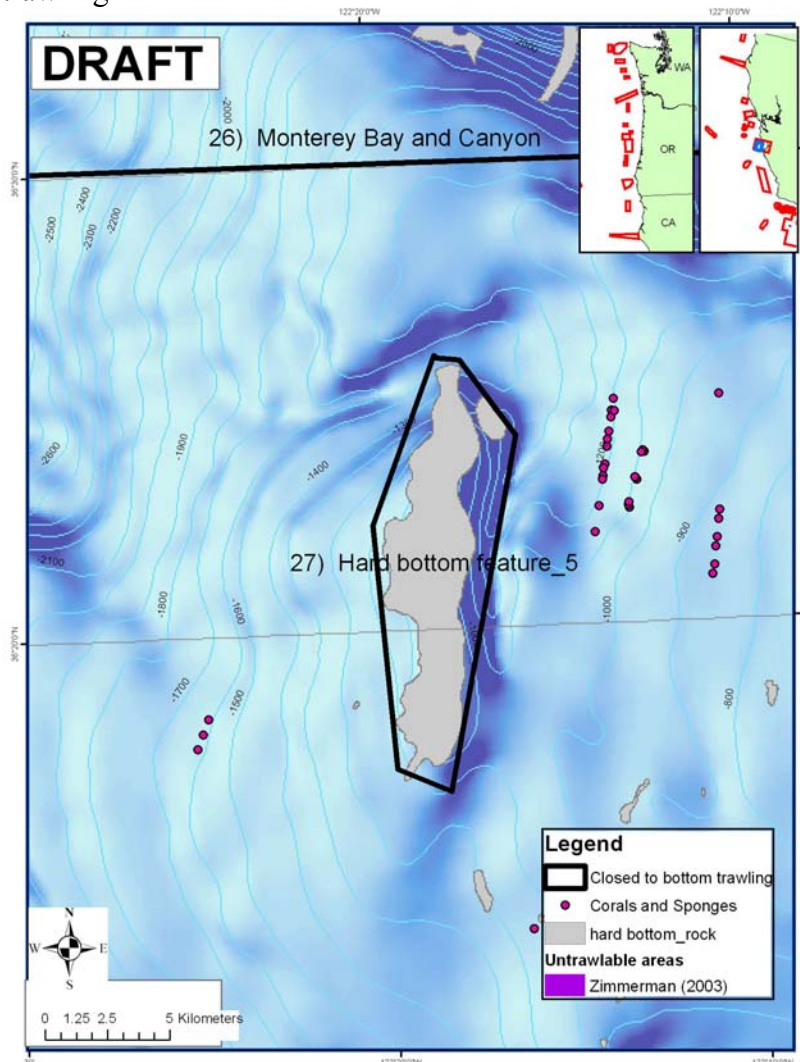


Table 27: Habitat types protected by Hard bottom feature_5 closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Rocky Ridge	2	36.5
Sedimentary Slope	1	23.9
Sedimentary Slope Gully Floor	1	1.6
Sedimentary Slope Gully	1	0.5
Grand Total	5	62.6

28) Biogenic Area_13

Figure 28: Criterion used in determination of Biogenic area_13 area closed to bottom trawling

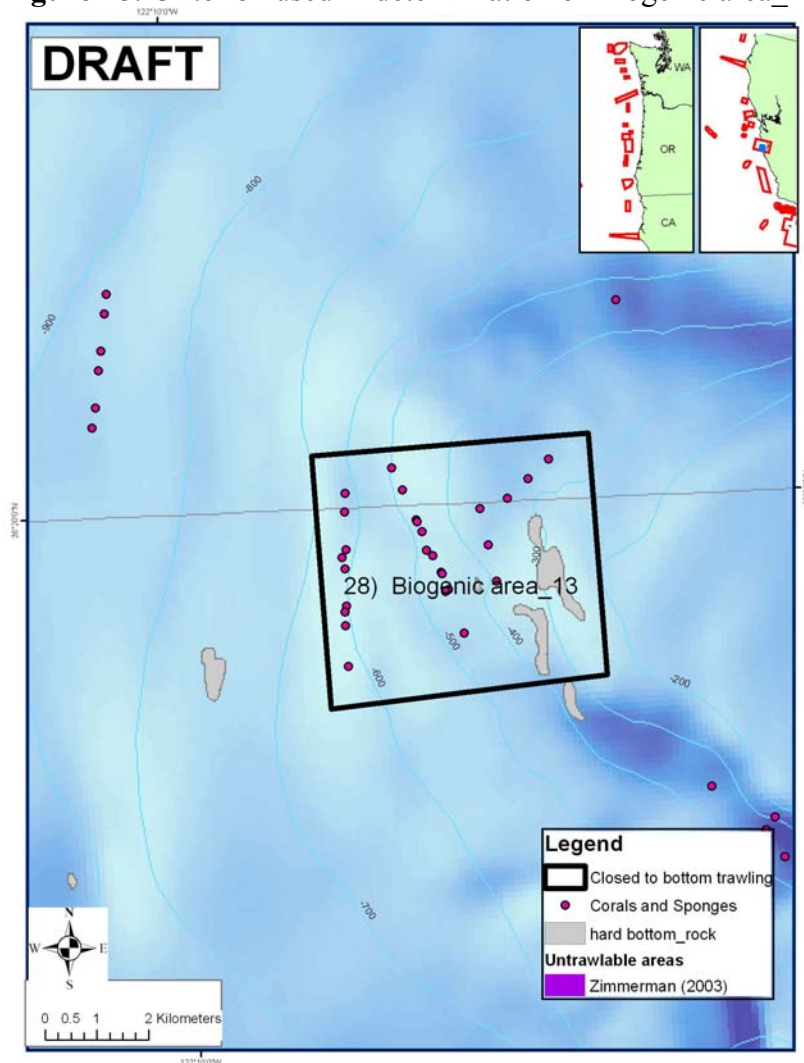


Table 28: Habitat types protected by Biogenic area_13 closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Slope	1	24.6
Rocky Slope	4	1.0
Sedimentary Shelf	1	0.1
Grand Total	6	25.7

29) Morro Ridge

Morro Ridge is a long ridge of hard substrate off the Central California coast. It contains numerous records of megafaunal invertebrates from NOAA.

Figure 29: Criterion used in determination of Morro Ridge area closed to bottom trawling

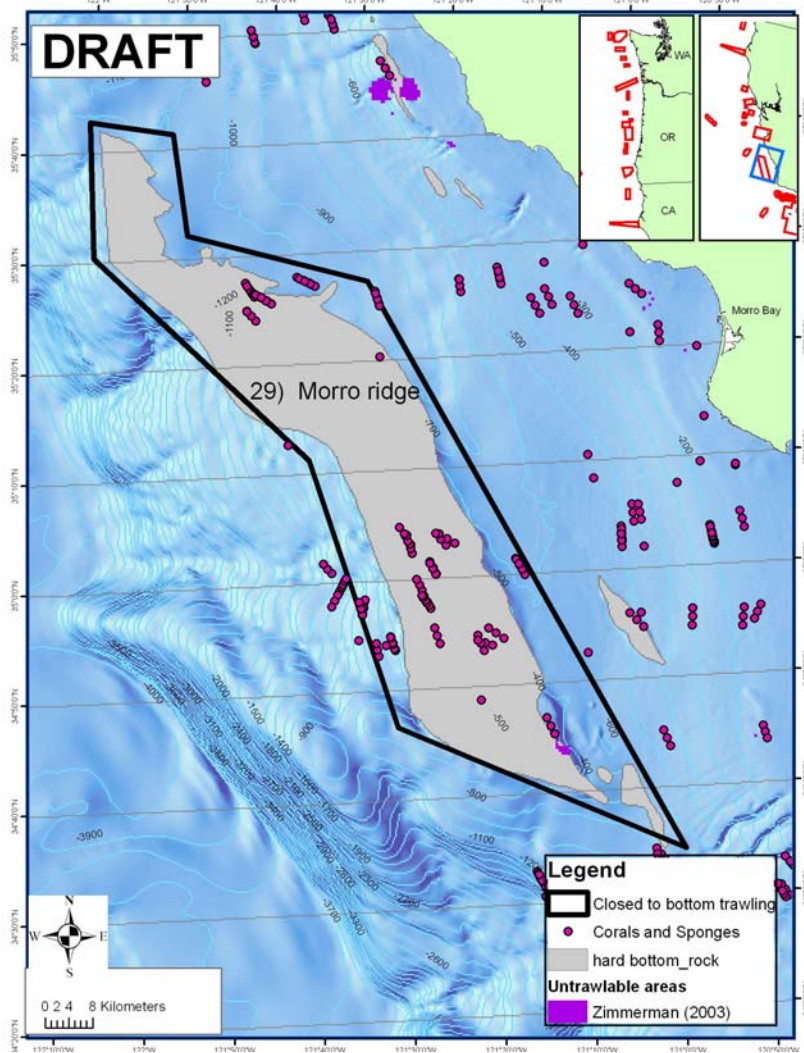


Table 29: Habitat types protected by Morro Ridge closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Rocky Ridge	1	2111.6
Sedimentary Slope	2	1190.9
Rocky Slope	2	39.0
no data	1	28.6
Grand Total	6	3370.1

30) Channel Islands

The Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary contains numerous records of biogenic habitat, particularly gorgonian corals and sponges. It is located at the meeting point between two major oceanographic currents, and therefore has a relatively high diversity of marine life from both tropical and temperate marine ecosystems.

Figure 30: Criterion used in determination of Channel Islands area closed to bottom trawling

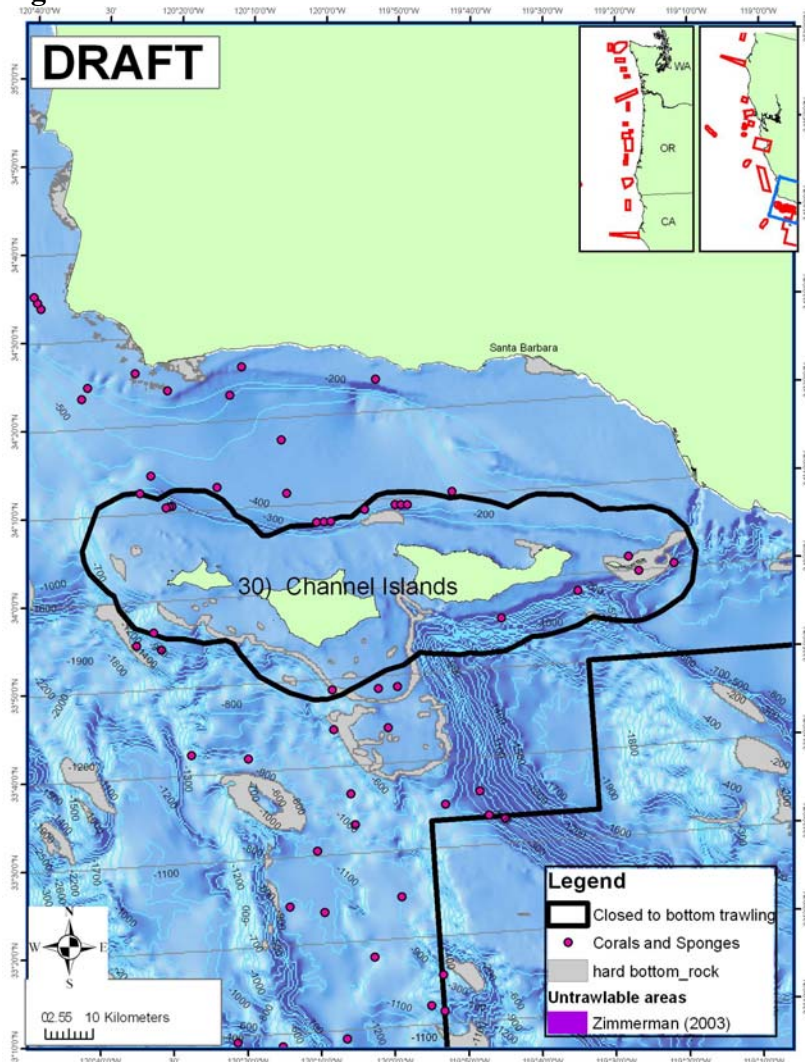


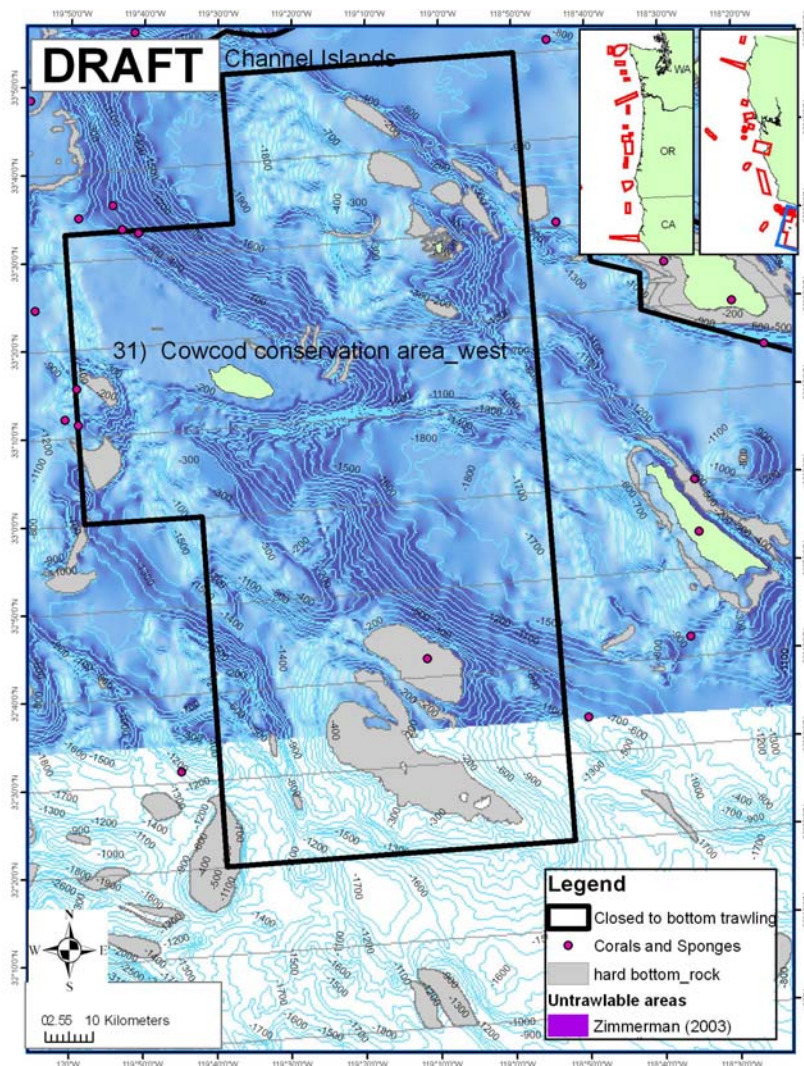
Table 30: Habitat types protected by Channel Islands closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Shelf	3	1805.1
Sedimentary Slope	7	796.6
Island	10	506.8
Sedimentary Basin	3	372.0
Rocky Shelf	13	99.9
Rocky Slope	3	95.9
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Wall	2	35.7
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Floor	1	21.5
Rocky Ridge	4	18.3
no data	2	11.6
Sedimentary Ridge	1	10.9
Sedimentary Shelf Canyon Wall	1	5.7
Grand Total	50	3780.1

31) Cowcod Conservation Areas

The Cowcod Conservation Areas were established in 2001 to help protect and rebuild cowcod stocks which have been driven down by eighty nine to ninety six percent of unfished levels. These areas contain hard bottom habitats including a number of offshore banks.⁷ These areas also have documented occurrences of black corals.⁸ Finally, these areas are extremely important for restoring depleted cowcod. Cowcod is a long lived species with low productivity requiring almost a century to rebuild the population.⁹ Due to the low levels of allowable mortality necessary to rebuild cowcod, the primary rebuilding strategy is avoidance.¹⁰

Figure 31: Criterion used in determination of Cowcod conservation area_west area closed to bottom trawling



⁷ Analysis provided by NMFS for the EIS Oversight Committee in Portland, OR on August 16-18, 2004.

⁸ Preliminary Report on Occurrences of Structure-Forming Megafaunal Invertebrates off the West Coast of Washington, Oregon and California. Northwest Fishery Science Center. August 2004.

⁹ Final Environmental Impact Statement for Amendment 16-3 to the Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery Management Plans for Bocaccio, Cowcod, Widow rockfish and Yelloweye Rockfish. July 2004. Pacific Fishery Management Council. at p. 63.

¹⁰ *Id.* at 45.

Table 31: Habitat types protected by Cowcod conservation area_west closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Ridge	7	4935.0
Sedimentary Basin	6	4841.3
Sedimentary Slope	5	1701.2
Rocky Ridge	19	918.0
Sedimentary Shelf	27	632.7
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Wall	2	75.2
Rocky Slope	6	74.4
Island	3	62.4
Rocky Shelf	17	37.6
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Floor	2	27.0
Rocky Slope Gully	4	26.0
Rocky Slope Canyon Wall	1	8.9
Sedimentary Shelf Gully Floor	43	0.7
no data	1	0.4
Grand Total	143	13340.7

32) Hard Bottom Feature_6

Figure 32: Criterion used in determination of Hard bottom feature_6 area closed to bottom trawling

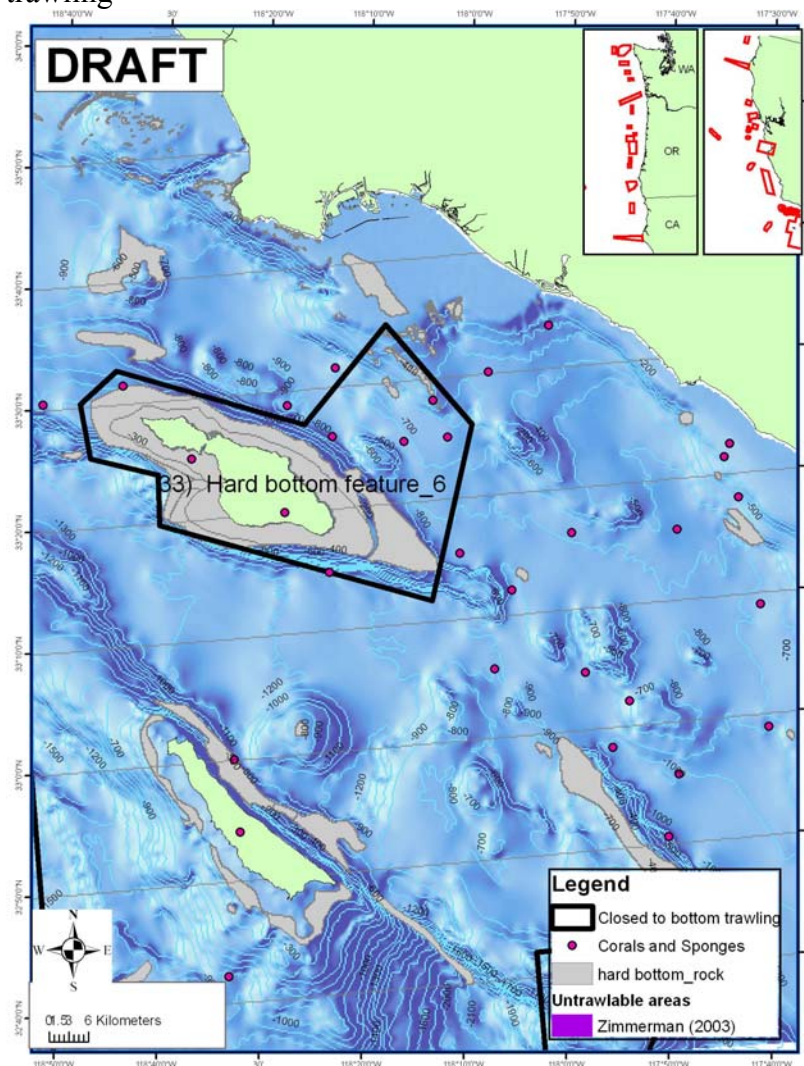


Table 32: Habitat types protected by Hard bottom feature_6 closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Slope	3	407.1
Rocky Shelf	82	249.8
Rocky Slope	10	249.1
Island	1	194.0
Sedimentary Basin	3	181.8
Sedimentary Ridge	2	52.7
Rocky Slope Canyon Wall	2	15.0
Sedimentary Slope Gully	2	11.6
Rocky Slope Canyon Floor	1	6.4
Sedimentary Basin Gully Floor	9	4.2
Sedimentary Shelf	4	2.2
Sedimentary Basin Canyon Floor	1	2.1
Sedimentary Basin Gully	4	2.0
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Floor	2	1.6
Sedimentary Slope Gully Floor	11	1.5
Sedimentary Basin Canyon Wall	2	1.5
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Wall	1	0.1
no data	2	0.0
Sedimentary Shelf Gully	1	0.0
Rocky Ridge	1	0.0
Grand Total	144	1382.6

33) Cowcod Conservation Areas_East

Figure 33: Criterion used in determination of Cowcod conservation area_east area closed to bottom trawling

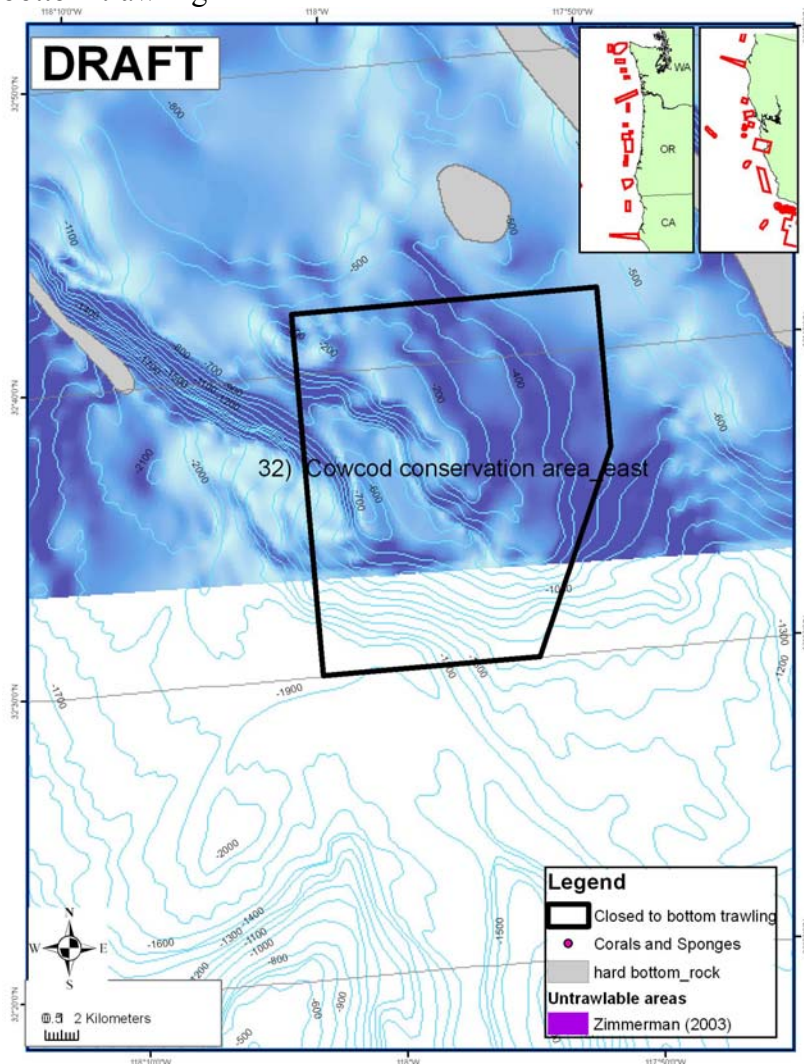
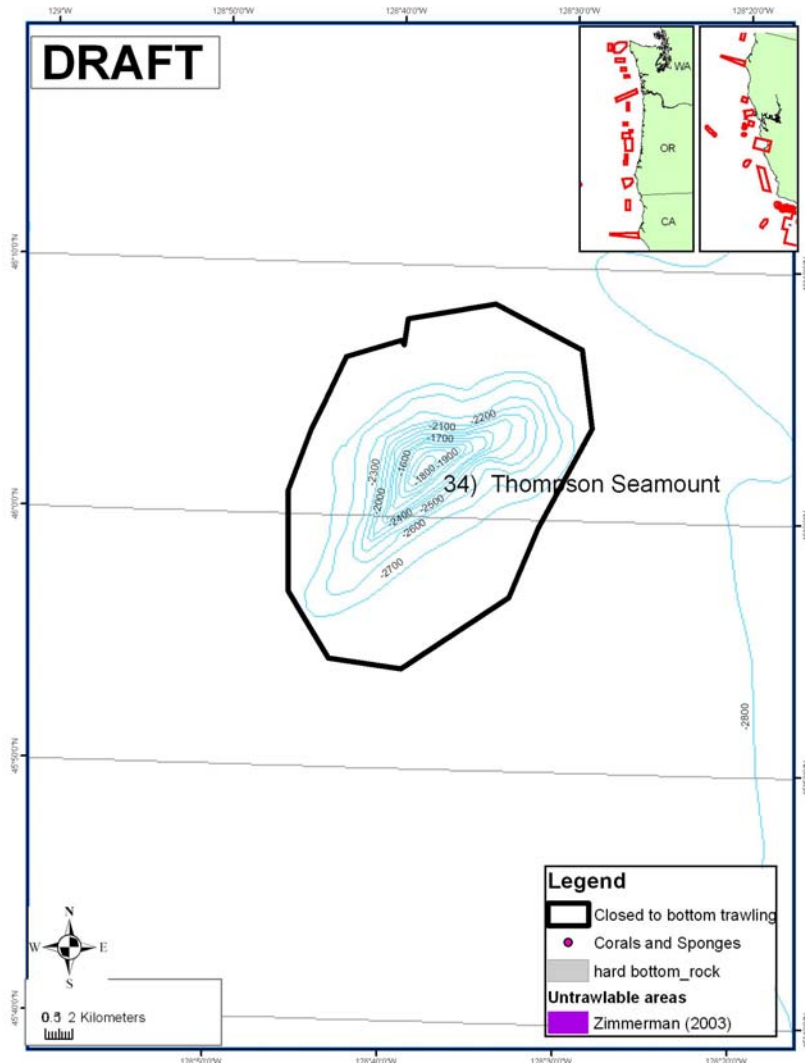


Table 33: Habitat types protected by Cowcod conservation area_east closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Ridge	1	366.2
Sedimentary Basin	1	11.9
Rocky Ridge	1	0.0
Grand Total	3	378.1

34-41) Seamounts

34) Thompson Seamount

Figure 34: Criterion used in determination of Thompson Seamount area closed to bottom trawling**Table 34:** Habitat types protected by Thompson Seamount closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
No data	n/a	428.2

35) President Jackson Seamount

Figure 35: Criterion used in determination of President Jackson Seamount area closed to bottom trawling

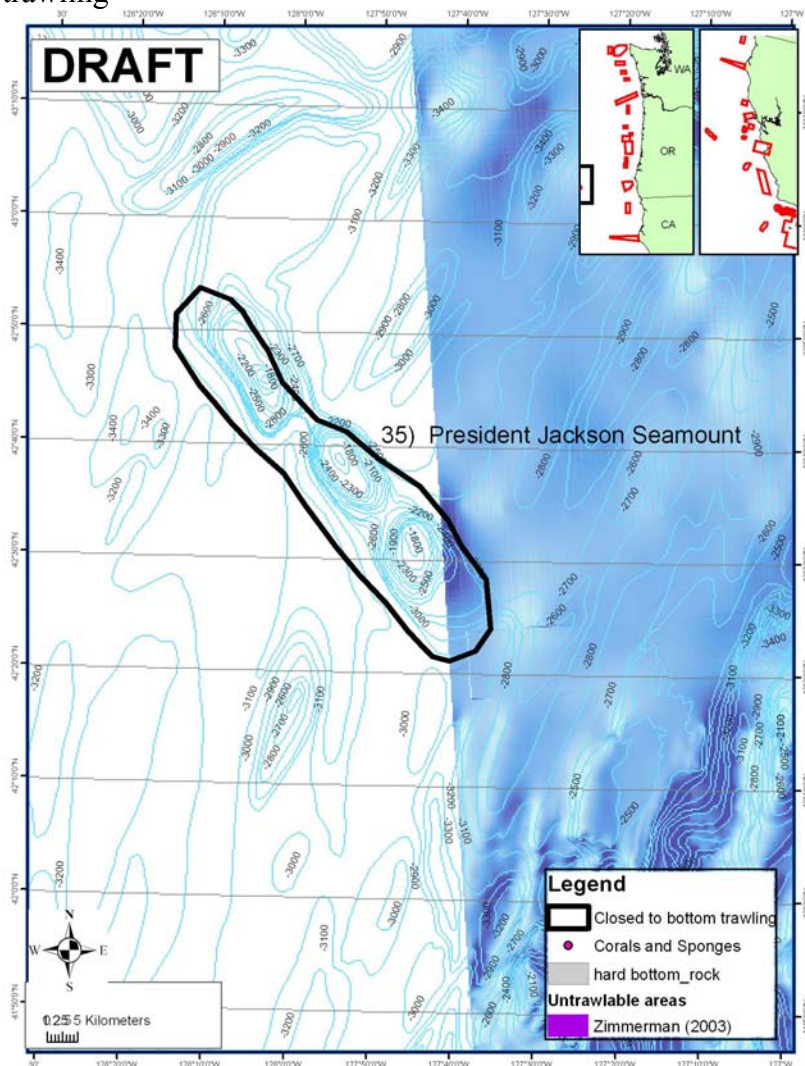


Table 35: Habitat types protected by President Jackson Seamount closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
No data	n/a	986.3

36) Taney Seamount

Figure 36: Criterion used in determination of Taney Seamount area closed to bottom trawling

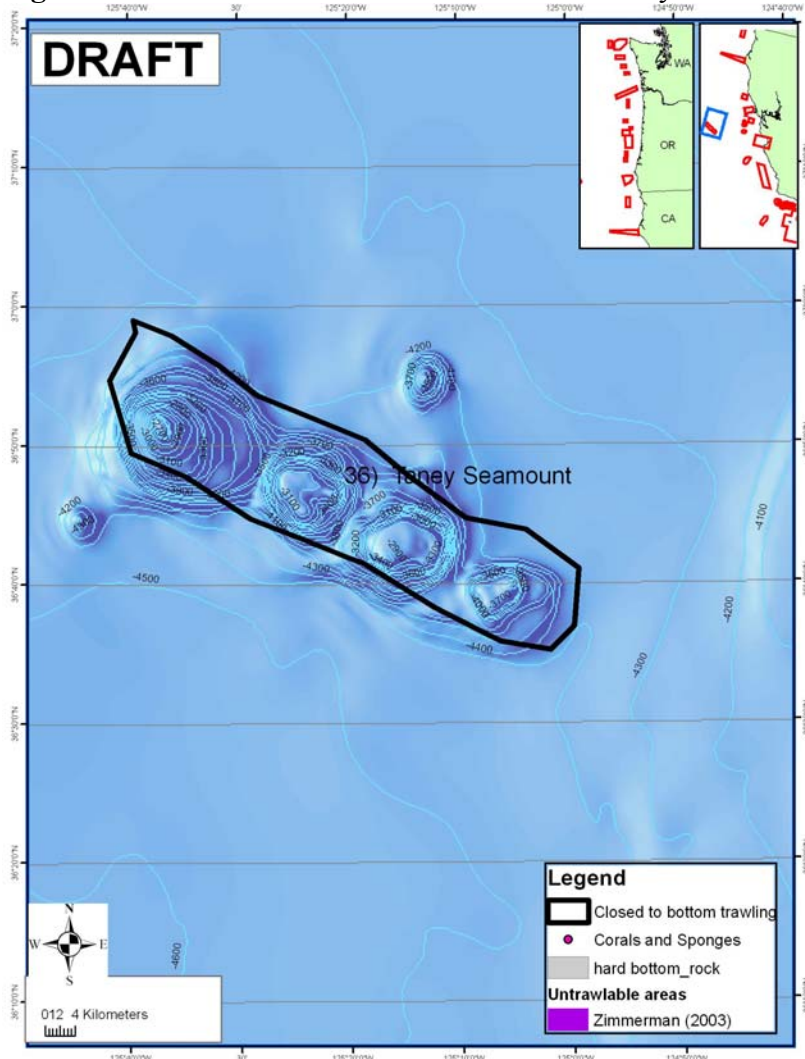


Table 36: Habitat types protected by Taney Seamount closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
No data	n/a	978.7

37) Gumdrop, (38) Pioneer and (39) Guide Seamount

Figure 37: Criterion used in determination of Gumdrop, Pioneer and Guide Seamount area closed to bottom trawling

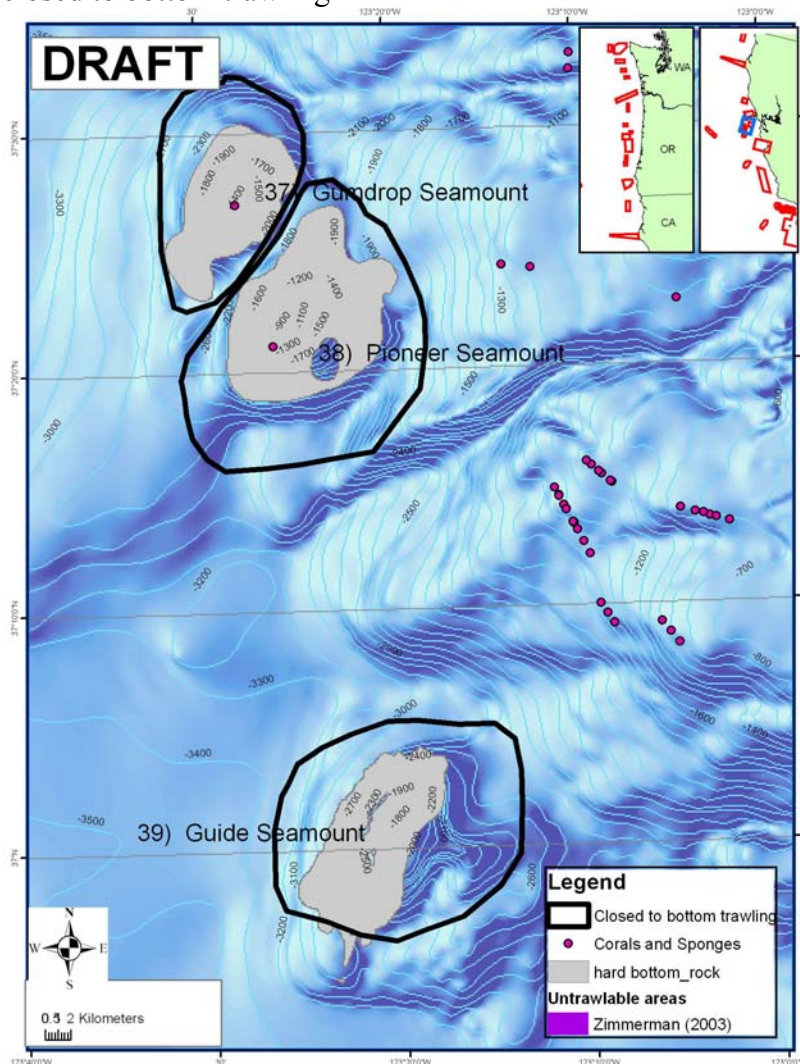


Table 37: Habitat types protected by Gumdrop Seamount closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Rocky Ridge	1	79.1
Sedimentary Slope	1	61.2
Sedimentary Slope Gully	1	8.9
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Floor	1	0.4
Grand Total	4	149.5

Table 38: Habitat types protected by Pioneer Seamount closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Slope	2	127.4
Rocky Ridge	1	125.7
Sedimentary Slope Gully	2	37.8
Sedimentary Slope Landslide	1	4.3
Sedimentary Slope Canyon Wall	1	0.0
Grand Total	7	295.3

Table 39: Habitat types protected by Guide Seamount closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Sedimentary Ridge	5	130.2
Rocky Ridge	1	95.0
Sedimentary Slope	2	37.7
Sedimentary Slope Landslide	1	4.4
Sedimentary Slope Gully	1	3.3
Rocky Slope	1	0.0
Grand Total	11	270.6

40) Davidson Seamount

Figure 40: Criterion used in determination of Davidson Seamount area closed to bottom trawling

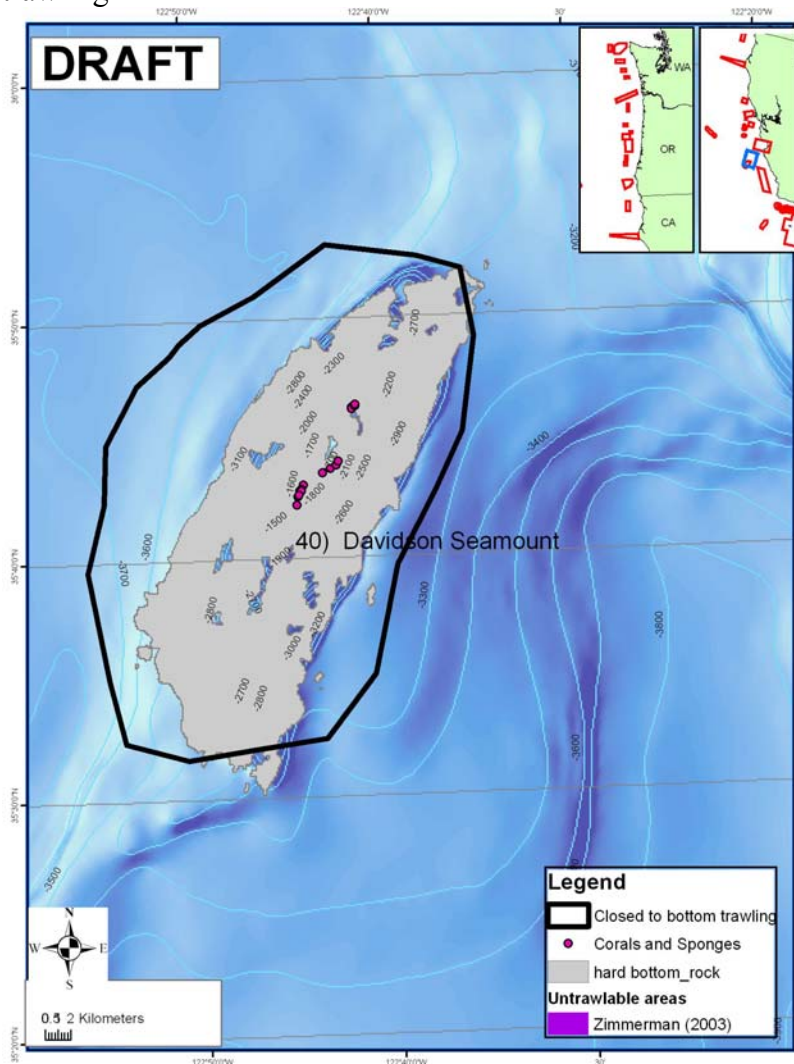


Table 40: Habitat types protected by Davidson Seamount closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Rocky Ridge	7	446.7
Sedimentary Apron	4	97.7
Sedimentary Apron Canyon Floor	1	33.1
Sedimentary Ridge	15	21.0
Rocky Apron	2	1.0
Grand Total	29	599.5

41) San Juan Seamount

Figure 41: Criterion used in determination of San Juan Seamount area closed to bottom trawling

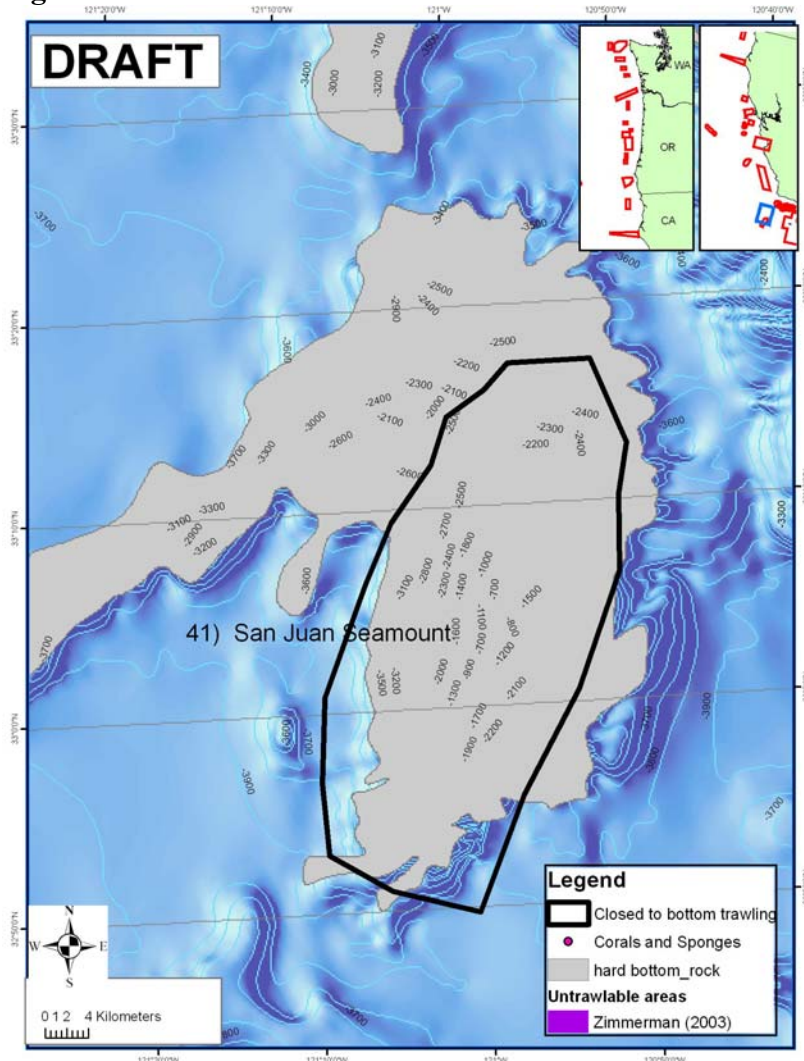


Table 41: Habitat types protected by San Juan Seamount closed area, determined from EFH GIS data

HAB_TYPE	Count_polygons	Area (km2)
Rocky Ridge	1	805.2
Sedimentary Apron	1	135.2
Grand Total	2	940.4

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APPENDIX 3: Points of Latitude and Longitude in Decimal Degrees (NAD 1983) Defining Vertices of Areas Closed to Bottom Trawling

Id	Name	Longitude	Latitude
1	Olympic_1	-125.991863	48.068618
1	Olympic_1	-125.990859	48.165925
1	Olympic_1	-125.750255	48.166567
1	Olympic_1	-125.586563	48.148036
1	Olympic_1	-125.417575	47.966531
1	Olympic_1	-125.523975	47.878908
1	Olympic_1	-125.642892	47.888296
1	Olympic_1	-125.699221	48.004083
1	Olympic_1	-125.805383	48.063409
1	Olympic_1	-125.991863	48.068618
2	Olympic_2	-124.918916	48.462917
2	Olympic_2	-124.860104	48.357674
2	Olympic_2	-124.952966	48.283384
2	Olympic_2	-124.990111	48.128613
2	Olympic_2	-125.165001	47.956818
2	Olympic_2	-125.308938	48.074444
2	Olympic_2	-125.228457	48.170401
2	Olympic_2	-124.963800	48.466013
2	Olympic_2	-124.918916	48.462917
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3	Biogenic area_1	-125.082730	47.503381
3	Biogenic area_1	-125.292400	47.509640
3	Biogenic area_1	-125.567786	47.559710
3	Biogenic area_1	-125.655409	47.713050
3	Biogenic area_1	-125.545880	47.781897
3	Biogenic area_1	-125.445740	47.666109
3	Biogenic area_1	-125.092119	47.656721
3	Biogenic area_1	-125.017013	47.565969
4	Biogenic area_2	-125.019400	47.186269
4	Biogenic area_2	-125.154229	47.183772
4	Biogenic area_2	-125.155893	47.217895
4	Biogenic area_2	-125.128428	47.273658
4	Biogenic area_2	-124.981948	47.271993
4	Biogenic area_2	-124.990270	47.200417
4	Biogenic area_2	-125.019400	47.186269
5	Grays Canyon	-124.895177	46.851396
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5	Grays Canyon	-125.020803	46.927021
5	Grays Canyon	-124.974657	47.114612
5	Grays Canyon	-124.915471	47.092542
5	Grays Canyon	-124.895408	46.938056
5	Grays Canyon	-124.818164	46.953103
5	Grays Canyon	-124.791581	46.913113
5	Grays Canyon	-124.895177	46.851396
6	Biogenic area_3	-125.316522	46.825893
6	Biogenic area_3	-125.179197	46.802590

Id	Name	Longitude	Latitude
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6	Biogenic area_3	-125.316522	46.825893
7	Astoria Canyon	-124.670219	46.330652
7	Astoria Canyon	-124.671703	46.332146
7	Astoria Canyon	-124.607751	46.312553
7	Astoria Canyon	-124.553330	46.273963
7	Astoria Canyon	-124.450004	46.306064
7	Astoria Canyon	-124.371758	46.310077
7	Astoria Canyon	-124.348685	46.290014
7	Astoria Canyon	-124.403859	46.220796
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7	Astoria Canyon	-124.672706	46.062296
7	Astoria Canyon	-124.874341	46.015148
7	Astoria Canyon	-124.899420	46.051261
7	Astoria Canyon	-125.013781	46.055274
7	Astoria Canyon	-125.032841	46.244871
7	Astoria Canyon	-125.041869	46.336159
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7	Astoria Canyon	-124.670219	46.330652
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8	Ridges_biogenic_area_5	-124.732869	45.843004
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9	Biogenic area_6	-124.498395	45.191304
9	Biogenic area_6	-124.480918	45.273700
9	Biogenic area_6	-124.396026	45.258719
10	Biogenic area_7	-124.490555	45.071018
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10	Biogenic area_7	-124.566935	45.030582
10	Biogenic area_7	-124.674765	45.019350
10	Biogenic area_7	-124.717447	45.075511
10	Biogenic area_7	-124.632082	45.178848
10	Biogenic area_7	-124.631965	45.178774
10	Biogenic area_7	-124.490555	45.071018

Id	Name	Longitude	Latitude
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11	Biogenic area_8	-124.817989	44.836422
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11	Biogenic area_8	-124.893726	44.917985
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11	Biogenic area_8	-124.772214	44.932966
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12	Daisy Bank	-124.643314	44.619480
12	Daisy Bank	-124.654547	44.592523
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12	Daisy Bank	-124.771362	44.637452
12	Daisy Bank	-124.818538	44.641945
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13	Heceta Bank	-124.927126	44.268055
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13	Heceta Bank	-124.579574	44.288300
13	Heceta Bank	-124.674054	44.225314
13	Heceta Bank	-124.755037	44.149954
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13	Heceta Bank	-124.870324	43.858486
13	Heceta Bank	-124.929376	43.779906
13	Heceta Bank	-124.966493	43.781031
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13	Heceta Bank	-125.055350	44.156703
13	Heceta Bank	-125.060973	44.219690
13	Heceta Bank	-125.003610	44.265805
13	Heceta Bank	-124.927170	44.269081
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14	Ridges_biogenic area_9	-125.109286	43.609648
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